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Polish church criticizes riot police

The Polish bishops have crinized the Polish Government's handling of violent demonstrations on Monday. They also said they expected substantial concessions from the state authorities on the revival of Solidarity, and the ending of martial law. They made it clear that the police handling of the demonstrations overshadowed the authorities recent concessions Back page

Axe man pelts siege police

A man armed with axe who barricaded himself in a loft in a house in St Ann's, Nottingham, was defying police last pight. He pelted them with tiles thrown through a hole in the roof

ETA murder A-plant chief

ETA gunmen murdered the chief engineer of a Bilbao nuclear plant on the day it was being signed over to regional authorities. The Cabinet went into emergency

Markets trade nervousiv

Financial markets reacted nervously yesterday to the news of British losses in the that an early ceasefire was at the heart of the latest initiative was not lost on South Atlantic. The pound fell sharply against Continental currencies, but finished stronger against the dollar. The stock market made a recovery after early losses

New rules on police taping

New rules covering tape recording of police inter-views and wider powers to stop and search will be included in a Police Bill-being prepared by the Government for introduction in the autumn Page 5

Israeli bullets kill more

Israel's chief of staff defends the use by his troops of live ammunition against demonstrators in the occupied territories. Critics wonder why bullets fired at legs are killing so many

Note that the said so Havering, Romford, who had suggested that most effective modern that should take the negotiating weapon was likely in responding to the ly to be a military one, that the would infinitely prefer that the troops left the

Sporting rights

Local hunt supporters believe that South Glamorgan County Council could not enforce any ban on foxhounds as all rural land owned by the council is rented to farmers to whom sporting rights are assigned

Opera stopped

The Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, has cancelled

Africa's front-line states re-ject as sterile the West's Manibia proposals and de-mand a Geneva-type confer-ence under the UN Page 8

Refugee rumpus Factional fighting between Vietnam refugees in their Hongkong camp has forced 1,000 from the south to quit

and squatin empty barracks

Boycott century Geoffrey Boycott scored 138 for Yorkshire against Norhamptonshire on the opening day of the county cricket championship. It was the 126th first-class century of his career Page 23

Leader page, 13 Letters: In defence, from Lord Hill-Norton, and the Duke of Buccleuch; diplomacy, from Professor Bernard Crick, and others.

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Bernard Levin returns to the case of two persecuted Soviet miners; Ronald Butt on how the Falklands may affect today's council elections. Texas: Henry Fairlie looks at this larger-than-life American state in a two-page Special Report.

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Pym keeps the door open on US-Peru ceasefire proposals

The latest American-Peruvian proposals to end the Falklands crisis, containing suggestions for an early ceasefire and the prompt withdrawal of Argentine troops, were the most helpful basis for finding a settlement, Mr Francis Pym told the Commons yesterday. The Foreign Secretary said he continued to be in close touch with Mr Alexander Haig in Washington.

The return to a mood of diplomacy

The latest American-Peruvian proposals to end the Falklands crisis, Sheffield was echoed by Mr John Nott, who told MPs that Britain was planning no aggressive action against the Argentines over the next few days.

The Ministry of Defence said it was aware of reports that the Argentine fleet, apart from two submarines, was outside the 200-mile exclusion zone heading back to port, but could not confirm them.

The return to a mood of diplomacy confirm them.

By Philip Webster, Political Correspondent

Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, disclosed to the Commons yesterday that an early ceasefire, with a prompt Argentine withdrawl, was one of the vital ingredients of the revived American-Falklands crisis The search for peace at the UN and in Peru 2

ents of the revived AmericanPeruvian proposals for settling the Falklands crisis.

Saying that he believed these proposals provided the most helpful basis for achieving a settlement, Mr Pym, who has sent a "constructive contribution to Mr Haig. United States Secertary of State, late on Tuesday night, said he would be in touch with him again late last night. He left many MPs with the impression that he regards Mr Haig as being very much back in the negotiating business, and his emphasis that an early ceasefire was at War of words in Argentina and Britain 2 Fight puts strain on Bonn and Paris Loss of Sheffied: ques-tions on defence and Portsmouth mourns 3 Ronald : Butt: the effect on council elec-Leading article, letters

Mr Pym pleased the Oppo-sition benches, and particu-larly Mr Denis Healey, the

shadow Foreign Secretary,

Argentine government respond as was the case with the earlier Haig proposals. "The Foreign Secretary con-firmed that he would be responding to Senor Peres de Cuellar. It was explained in government quarters later that the response would probably be sent today.

with what they regarded as his positive response to the ideas put forward by Senor Peres de Cuellar, the UN Secretary General, although Mr Pym stressed that he regarded the Haig proposals as offering the best hope of progress. The Government's cautious The Government's cautious hopes of the Peruvian plan rest on that country's close relationship with Argentina. Mr Pym said that Mr Haig was in touch with Peru, which was a friend of Argentina and that might be a way of peroristing. progress.
He said there were many points of similarity between the secretary-general's think-

ing and the Haig-Peruvian plan, and that his ideas reach a peaceful settlement seemed certain to be reflected in the basis of any solution.

Throughout the exchanges, Mr Pym stressed his desire to reach a peaceful settlement and appeared to give no encouragement to those solution. Conservative arguing for stepping up military action. solution.

Mr Healey said he regard-

islands under peaceful means islands under peaceful means than be driven out by force. When Mr Jonathan Aitken, Tory MP for Thanet, East, told him to be cautious about negotiating terms for a ceasefire until the Argentines had shown by their deeds they were withdrawing their troops, Mr Pym replied: "Yes. I am showing appropriate caution, but I will also show appropriate enthusishow appropriate enthusi-

And MPs detected no

enthusiasm from Mr Pym to a suggestion from the Tory benches that airfields on the Argentine mainland should be bombed. He said: "Naturally military consider-ations and aspects are being thought about in greater depth, and possible plans are being prepared. That is sinkbeing prepared. That is right because we have a task force in the South Atlantic." And he added "Let us at the moment concentrate our minds on trying to achieve a peaceful settlement."

Mr Pym also slightly lifted the veil over the Government's long-term intentions towards the Falklands.

Asked by Dr David Owen, parliamentary leader of the Social Democratic Party, positively to welcome the concept of a United Nations trusteeship council, Mr Pym replied: "The Government has an open mind about what might be the ultimate solution. Most certainly the United Nations trusteeship concept is one of those possibilities. It might in the end prove to be highly suitable."

Although it was stressed later that Mr Pym was referring to the idea as no more than an option at present some MPs, notably Dr Owen, regarded his reply as significant.

Mr Pym should speak posi-tively to the Commons about the Government's willinguess

to work for a ceasefire, but that that should be dependent on a commitment by the

The Labour Shadow Cabi-

net, meeting at the same time, came to a similar conclusion — that they should sustain the Govern-

Fresh proposals sent to Haig after full Cabinet meeting

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

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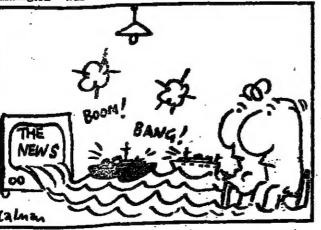
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Government sources would not say how well the channel which appeared to have been opened between London and Buenos Aires via Lima and Washington was working.

After a two-hour meeting But it was stated emphati- was likely to diminish furth-f the inner Cabinet yester- cally after the Cabinet meet- er, and that that made the quest for a diplomatic success (as Mr Pym later told the Commons) all the more urgent.
Ministers also agreed that

> vened after the inner group, with the Prime Minister in to work for a ceasefire, but the chair, agreed that all their colleagues should be on a commitment by the allowed the chance of a full forces. reappraisal of the Govern- forces. ment's military and diplo-matic stance. In the event, the Cabinet spent most of their one hour and fifty minute session considering



accounts were published by accounts were published by Telam, the official news agency.

It appears that the pilot who fired the Exocet missile from a French-built Super-Etendard aircraft turned back to base before his missile struck home. According to Clarin, the newspaper closest to the military, the missile was fired about 23 miles from the about 23 miles from the arget. It said a Mirage also fired an unidentified missile at an object that showed up as a small blip on is radar, and it was not until the strike was announced in but reports reaching United try connew expects of new expects of new and tra with a single fired an unidentified missile at an object that showed up as a small blip on is radar, and it was not until the strike was announced in but reports reaching United Chilean

delivered last year.

The war continues to

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senior military spokes- inflict serious harm on the

Captain Enrique de León,

diplomatic solution could agree to a ceasefire provided Argentine would commit herself to withdrawal. No wide support for Britain as the victim of aggression had been weakened by the fighting in the South Atlantic and ment, but press ministers to agree to a ceasefire provided Argentine would commit herself to withdrawal. No member of the Shadow Cabinet, argued against that proviso.

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From Christopher Thomas, Buenos Aires, May 5

significant softening of the Government's position, which ministers, however, denied. In the Commons Mr Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, adopted with approval a statement by Mr Denis Healey, Labour deputy leader, who had said that Britain should not agree to a ceasefire without being clear that "we had a negotiating processs which would get the Argentines off the islands".

Mr Healey responded with gratification, telling Mr Pym later that this was an important distinction from the demand that a ceasefire

the demand that a ceasefire cannot take place until Ar-gentine forces have left".

and trade measures, possibly

with a strict clampdown on imports of non-essential

The first survivors from

the General Belgrano arrived

today in the southern town of

ship Gurruchaga [and the

Ushuaia aboard the rescue

Destroyer still burning 12 hours after attack

From John Witherow, on board HMS Invincible

Survivors from the Shef-field, hit by an Argentine missile have been taken to several other ships in Royal Navy task force as the decision is taken to sink or try to salvage the crippled

No figures are available yet on the number of casualties although it was believed the ship had a complement of about 270 men. Some injured are being dealt with a by large medical team aboard the Hermes, the flagship. The 10-year-old destroyer was still burning more than 12 hours after the attack. Earlier reports that it had

sunk were described as premature. The missile entered the ship on the starboard side 15 fect above the waterline, photo graphs show a hole about 10 efect in diameter

Junta delays announcement on Sheffield The military junta tonight man, said that two other fragile economy, and the Etendards were involved in the operation. They had been the dollar, compared with the operation. They had been the dollar, compared with the operation attack the British ordered to attack the British of 1,042, but one report tonight suggested the figure may have been 800.

Naval sources said that rescue ships were continuing to battle against tempestuous expected to contain a series of new exchanges, financial

> They said all personnel not in the compartments blasted by the explosion were safe. They put to sea in 60 lifeboats, each of which had

seas in the search for more survivors. The ship was holed below the waterline and, according to official spokesmen, it took two hours to sink, giving the crew suf-

Chilean scientific vessel, 15 days provisions for 20 Piloto Pardo, according to people, but which could agencies. According to the latest official information, there were 750 survivors. It into fleets of six, to help is believed to have had a court is believed to have had a crew rescue planes to spot them.

Queen 'deeply concerned Buckingham Palace said yesterday: "The Queen is following events in the South Atlantic very closely and is naturally deeply concerned and saddened by the tragic news of the loss of HMS ficient time to abandon ship.

> Harrier jet."
> The Queen's involvement is not only as head of state and Commander-in-Chief of the British forces; Prince Andrew is a helicopter pilot with the task force.

Sombre mood in Commons

Nott hints at pause in action

By Hugh Noyes, Parliamentary Correspondent

then no casualties need arise, Mr Nott also denied Ameri-

can reports that a naval battle was now going on around the Falklands. He had no knowledge of any such battle, he said, and the government had no reports of one. Although he could not be sure because of periodic communications difficulties. periodic communications difficulties, he had checked recently on this point and was aware of the reports from American sources.

There had been ac-companying vessels in the immediate area which picked up those who had abandoned ship, he said. Describing the news as grave and tragic, the Secretary of State firmly told the House that the task force was continuing its operations as planned.

Mr Michael Foot, leader of the Labour Party, described the sinking of the destroyer as a tragedy. Mr Nott agreed with him that there would have to be a further statement today after more infor-mation had arrived from the task force. Communications with the operational area were difficult at present and

As Mr Nott gave the Commons the first full de-tails of the attack on HMS Sheffield, it was soon clear that the mood of MPs had changed remarkably from the near panic reaction of the

Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, gave a strong indication in the Commons yesterday that British forces off the Falkland Islands were planning no attacking action against the Argentines over the next few days. He told MPs that if the Argentine forces in the next few days did not in any way challenge our ships and our men and threaten them, and if they ceased coming into the total exclusion zone, then no casualties need arise. take any action needed to secure the safety of the men and ships around the Falklands.

Falklands.

After tributes and expressions of grief at the loss of life, the Secretary of State told the House that at about 3.30 London time on Tuesday afternoon, HMS Sheffield was attacked by Argentine Super Etendard aircraft which launched Exocet missiles. The ship was about 70 miles off the Falklands, enforcing the total exclusion zone with other members of the task force. Two missiles were fired, one missing the ship and the other hitting her amidships. The explosion amidships. The explosion that followed caused a major fire and, although attempts were made to extinguish it for nearly four hours with the assistance of other fire fighting teams in the area, it spread out of control.

At about 7pm London time the order was given to abandon ship. Ships of the task force picked up sur-vivors and the latest intormation was that about 30 men were still missing. Others were injured and were being the information must be well cared for under medical treated as provisional until supervision. The ships were further reports were restill engaged on operations, but the force commander would provide further information as soon as possible.

Mr Nott added that it was thought that HMS Sheffield

may have been detected by an Argentine reconnaissence

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US tries desperately to halt fighting From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, May 5

The United States , was But a State Department call from the ambassador. The British have been today engaged in what diplo-matic sources described as "frenetic activity" in an attempt to halt the fighting the conflict to an end".

between Britain and tina over the Falkland Islands. However, despite the numerous diplomatic initia-tives which are now under way and renewed American pleas for a quick end to hostilities, there were growing fears in Washington that the undeclared war would become more intense in the

Half mast at Sheffield cenotaph over the destroyer's loss.

wake of the sinking of the General Belgrano and the Sheffield. Press speculation here that Mr Haig had proposed a 48hour ceasefire was greeted with a firm "no comment" by State Department spokes-men. The British said they could not accept a ceasefire which left the Argentines in control of the islands.

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The aniossator the aniossator trong the aniossator trong The renewed efforts to

find a peaceful solution to the crisis began last night when Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, beld a three-hour meeting with Sir Nicholas Henderson, the British Ambassador, to dis-cuss an initial British response to a set of peace proposals put forward by President Belunde Terry of Peru last weekend.

The meeting, which was at Britain's request, caused Mr Haig to cancel abruptly a trip to New York, where he was due to give an after-dinner speech to the Irish Club. Mr Haig was at Andrews Air Force base outside Washington about to board an aircraft when he received telephone

Peruvian proposals was sufficiently encouraging to make Mr Haig put forward a number of modifications of his own. These modifications

have been sent to London for comment.
British diplomats strongly rejected suggestions that Britain is now more inter-ested in a negotiated settle-

ment after the loss of a destroyer and a Harrier jet off the Falklands. It was pointed our that talks on the Peruvian plan had begun well before these losses were announced. "It is certainly not a case of a bloodied nose causing us to sue for peace", a British diplomat remarked. "We always knew we would have to expect losses if fighting started."

Terry during a telephon conversation on Sunday. The Argentines, on the other hand, have rejected them because, they maintain, they are essentially the same as those put forward by Mr Haig during his abortive mediation efforts. Their rejection was also prompted the sinking of the Belgrano.

The British say that the seven-point Peruvian plan is not the same as the sevenpoint Haig plan, emphasizing that the Peruvian ideas consist largely of an "expression of general prin-ciples" rather than specifically-worded proposals.

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LINGOLNS with black, oily smoke pour-ing from the vessel. Most of the damage was inside the ship as the Exocet missile INTEEDS exploded just after impact_ :r The Sheffield was the last The Sheffield was the last sea-going command of Rear Admiral John "Sandy" Woodward, the Commander of the task force, before he took the job as director of Naval Plans at the Minsistry of Defence about four years ago. She had close connexions with the city of Sheffield and was known as "the Shiny Sheep" because of stainless steel fittings in the ship, placed there by local manufacturers. The attack was more sophisticated than has been London The attack, was more sophisticated than has been seen to date, and also indicated the Argentines had Superb part good intelligence about the position of the fleet. air-conditioned The news of the attacck was greeted with shock on board the Invincible. "The reality of all this is beginning to sink in" one officer said. Survivors from the ship are expected to be placed on other ships or sent home as soon as possible. Offices 20.418 soft TOLE Weatherall Sheffield and the pilot of the Green & Smith 0144105139444

The search for peace

Opinion at UN ebbs away from Britain

Secretary-General, was today awaiting replies to his proposed framework for a peaceful settlement to the Falklands conflict from both Britain and Argentina. He hoped that Britain and Argentina would be in a

The mood of the Security Council, which had been favourably disposed toward Britain and its wishes, now appears to have shifted and Britain will have to work hard to persuade the council not to take any action that could interfere with its strategy of parallel military, economic and diplomatic pressure on Argentina.

Diplomatic sources said the Secretary-General's initiative was largely intended to fill the vacuum left left by the failure of the peace mission undertaken by Mr Alexander Haig, the American Secretary of State.

During his recent talks with Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, and Senor Nicanor Costa Mendez, the Argentine Foreign Minister,

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The ideas are understood

In an attack on the United

to cover the several options that the United Nations has to offer whenever there is a Argentine would be in a crisis, including peace-keep-position to give their replies today, but United Nations administration, and nego-tractions said no specific trations under United Nations.

> It has not been ruled out that the British government could fuse these ideas with the large number of peace proposals and offers of mediation now being floated from all corners of the world, including Peru, Ire-land, Spain and the latest from West Germany.

Ireland has taken its initative to the Security Council, where members were meet-ing informaly to consider its request for a cease-fire.

This is understood to be

opposed by Britain since it is an attempt to reduce the tensions heightened by the sinking of the General Bel-grano and the destroyer Sheffield without necessarily assuring Argentine with-drawal from the islands.

ing the replies for Britain and Argentina to the Secretary-General.

States, Argentina accused the Americans at the United Nations of forming a "spurious colonial alliance" with Britain over the crisis and said Argentines will never forget it (UPI reports).

Señor Eduardo Roca addressed the coordinating committee of non-aligned countries in an effort to drum up support for a new debate on the crisis in the

Security Council.

He said that American support for Britain was eroding legitimate aspirations

for peace.

"The Argentine people will never understand or forget that in one of the more critical hours of the hemisphere's history the United States has chosen to side with a power foreign to this hemisphere and helping its hemisphere and helping its aggressive schemes", Senor Roca said.

"It is very clear that the United Kingdom did not want to open fire without having the approval, the backing and the direct complicity of the United States Government."

Why Peru is trying again

Lima, May 5. — Peru, a trusted friend of Argentina, has stepped up its efforts to find a peaceful solution to the Falklands conflict.

From the outset, the Government of President Fernando Belaunde Terry expressed firm support for Argentina's claims to sovereignity over the islands. But, concerned that the dispute threatened peace not only in South America but in the world, it called repeatedly for an end to hostilities.

Peru's first initiative — calling for a 72-hour truce calling for a 72-hour truce —
foundered when Britain
demanded that Argentine
forces withdraw first from
the Falklands. After the
failure of the mediation
effort by Mr Alexander Haig,
United States Secretary of
State, and the subsequent
intensification of fighting intensification of fighting, Lima sought a second opportunity to play a peacemaking

Foreign Ministry sources said that the Government action was prompted by the American declaration last Friday of open support for Britain — a move described by the influential pro-Government weekly Caretas,

as "Reagans's betrayal". "Communications between Argentina and the United States were broken, so we ofered our help to try to keep conversations alive," a Peru-vian official said. according to the sources, Dr Javier Arias Stella, the Peruvian Foreign Minester, telephoned the State Department on Saturday, to urge the Reagan Administration to press Britain to stop hostilities.

Over the weekend, a sevenpoint peace formula emerged from conversations between Mr Haig and President Belaunde. Argentina was reported to be studying the plan when news broke of the torpedoeing of the cruiser General Belgrano. Dr Arias Stella said the incident left Argentina no alternative but to reject the peace proposals.

Venezuela said

to be giving

spare parts aid

The sources, who asked to remain anonymous, also said that President Luis Herrers Campines of Venezuela had

ordered the Venezualian air

force to prepare for unspeci-fied flight operations, but they did not elaborate

The report that Venezuela

is helping Argentina is the



President Belaude: A friend of both sides.

However, he later indicated that the United States Peruvian initiative was stillalive, and that Peru would continue its efforts for peace. Yester-day, Peru formally protested to Britain over the sinking of the cruiser.

Speaking after a visit to Lima by two envoys of President Galtieri, Dr Arias Stella said that Peru was awaiting further reaction from Argentina. The envoys returned to Buenos Aires for making an apparently with "a message and some precipitous announcement ideas and suggestions" from last Sunday of an imminent eral Galtieri.

We must now wait for the reaction, particularly of Argentina, to what they believe could be better avenues to peace", Dr Arias Belgrano.
Stella said. He added: "If The not
they consider that Peru could ment ne be an avenue, then we will Hora, said the Government walk it with the greatest had acted as a messenger of spirit of solidarity for the the State Department, and cause of Argentina and of

Political sources said that Peru's diplomatic initiatives were prompted partly by President Belaunde's fervent

ditional friend of both the United States and Argentina, he also felt qualified to play a statesman's rule in the dispute, they said.

But the sources said that there was increasing pres-sures from Peru's strongly nationalistic armed forces for the Government to take a more resolutely pro-Argentine line. General Luis Argentine fine. General Luis Cisneros Vizquerra, the War Minister, is known as "the Gaucho", because of his military training in Argen-tina. He has repeatedly said that the Peruvian armed forces are ready to give logistical support to Argen-

Diplomatic sources said that failure to achieve a peaceful solution could provoke armed intervention by Peru, with unforeseeable consequences for the coun-try's democratically-elected

"Peace through diplomacy could be a lifeline for the civilian Government, and this has probably reinforced the politicians' determination", a foreign diplomat commented. President Belaunde's intervention has not, however earned him unqualified praise at home. Some news. papers and opposition poli-ticians have criticized him Argentina and Britain. Only hours later. Argentina announced that it was rejecting the peace proposals because of the attack on the General

The normally pro-Government newspaper, Ultima Hora, said the Government had been snubbed by Argentina. The independent daily, El Observador, ran a cartoon showing President Belaunde, with the United States peace proposals in his hand, slip-



The war of words

"Now . . . to the Death!" says the patriotic poster in a Buenos Aires street.

Buenos Aires: Action speaks londer

From Chistopher Thomas, Buenos Aires, May 5

By David Cross

listening to him are foreign who have regular dealings and do not understand English particularly well, while him although they sometimes others want him to read find his patrician manner a slowly so that they can write little difficult. Like public they can write little difficult. Like public they can write little difficult.

own his words in longhand. relations officers in the Until a month or so ago, Foreign Office, Mr McDonald

The authornies have set up

A blood-spattered bullet-ridden Union flag appeared on municipal bullboards throughout Buenos Aires today in belligerent response television screens, interrupt-ing whatever dubbed Ameri-can movie or dreadful local comedy might be on the air. The message is preceded by a burst of the national anthem and then read by a to the sinking of the General breathless announcer in the manner of an overexcited

Belgrano, Argentins's second biggest warship. "Now ... to the death!" the posters declared, reflect-ing the government's clear determination to commit evertything to keeping the blue and white Argentine flag

flying in Port Stanley.
"To all Argentines" the
message began. "We have
already shown our peaceful
disposition and now we will show our fighting spirit, two equally true virtues for Argentine. We gave our lives for the Malvinas and we will kill whoever tries to take them away."

The posters are the latest development in an increa-singly intensive propaganda campaign. All government communiqués are now

Many television viewers have voiced their concern

have voiced their concern about the strange way in which Mr Ian McDonald, the man from the Ministry of Defence, gives the British view of the battle of the Falklands on the nightly news. The mechanical way in which he speaks is mystifying and even a little sinister.

But, according to Whitehall

officials, this appearance is misleading. Mr McDonald is operating in highly unusual

guidelines laid down by his

As the Falklands crisis has

developed, the British Government has decided not

to be panicked into respond-ing to Argentine claims, or rumours of what is happen-ing in the South Atlantic. Instead it is releasing in

formation only when it believes it to be accurate and

in written form.

When Mr McDonald appears on television, he is, therefore, reading from a

political masters.

flashed immediately onto triumph. The local newspapers gratefully seize whatpapers gratefully seize whatever crumbs of information he supplies, presenting them in the next day's issue as inconrovertible facts.

However today's news-papers carried extensive accounts of the sinking of the Sheffild but not one, not even the tabloids, presented the disaster in any way as a great victory or as an act of retribution for the sinking of football commentator. As it is read viewers are shown an emblem consisting of a flaming torch, crossed flaming torch, crossed swords, a set of wings and an anchor.

the Belgrano.
It seems the authorities have decided that the press should be restrained from their inclination to launch a a bank of television sets in the Sheraton Hotel, the main base for several hundred campaign of jingoism.

foreign correspondents, as "London admits sinking of well as a teleprinter symplying the full service of Telam, the official news agency.

Occasionally Captain Enrique de Leon, the main sunk at the Malvinas" La military spokesman, will prensa said in an almost appear with a few tithits of teleprinted re-

gossip or unconfirmed re- Neither made more than a Harrie ports of another Argentine passing reference to the waves

department of the Defence

Ministry two years ago, was assistant secretary in charge

of Division 14, the ministry's

His current post is normally

limelight except when he meets reporters or ac-

companies the Defence Secretary outside Whitehall.

Defence correspondents

out of the public

recruitment and pay section.

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have been particularly strained by an apparently misleading impression given by Mrs Margaret Thatched to day's agont pages with story, reporting merely that most of the crew had been rescued and gring a telephone number at the naval base of Puerod Belgrano for worried relatives. her inrentions. In a tele-phone conversation last elatives. The latest string of propa-

week, the Prime Minister is inderstood to have convinced ganda stories appeared in today's newspapers telling of a glubous encounter with two British fighter aircraft by Lieutenant Eduardo Perong over the Falidands on Sandrday.

The account said "the two planess exchanged gunfire and, Siler they had separated the plane piloted by Perong was damaged and the Argentine informed his chief that hit was going to bale out the was automanially ejected and as the parachulted to sea. the Chancellor that she was seeking a peaceful solution.

Herr Willy Brandt, Chairman of the Social Democrat
Party and not a Government
member, expressed what
many are thinking when he
said: "A quarrel about points
of international law, and in
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particular difficulties at home, do not justify any warlike adventures which endanger world peace."

Paris: The escalation of the war in the South Atlantic the Economic Control of the war in the South Atlantic the Economic Control of the war in the South Atlantic Control of the war in the South Atlantic Control of the war in the South Atlantic Control of the Contr is causing the French Government deep concern Its continuation, with further loss of life, would place it in an embarrassing position in relation to a public opinion and the press, which are showing less and less under-standing of Britain's alleged intransigence. This is the meaning of the statement London: News presenter with a strict brief

> Mr McDonald, whose official title in the Ministry of Defence is Deputy Chief Public Relations Officer, was one of those faceless bureaucrats with whom the senior echelons of the Civil Service are populated. Born in Glasgow in 1936 and educated at Glasgow High School and the University of Glasgow, he had Spent throughly all his career as threshall.
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Fighting

puts strain

on Bonn

and Paris By Our Foreign Staff

West Germany is deeply concerned that EEC and Nato

solidarity with Britain will be badly strained if fighting continues over the Falklands.

The Cabinet yesterday repeated its urgent appeal to

both sides to use all oppor-

tunities to seek a peaceful solution, and again suggested a ceasefire. "Further blood-shed must be avoided", Herr

Klaus Bölling, the govern-ment spokesman, said.

about yesterday's deliber-ations on the Falklands, which dominated the Cabinet

session. It was understood,

favour a disengagement of the two navies, with each withdrawing out of reach of the others weapons and

aircraft.
The West Germans feel deeply that the West's credi-

bility in the world is at stake.

"Civilized governments and

public opinion all over the world will be shocked and

disappointed at the West's inability to settle conflicts peaceably. They will doubtd its skill at crisis management under real crisis conditions",

one well-informed source

Bonn's loyalty seems to

Herr Helmut Schmidt about

however, that the Germans

He would say no more

Strasbourg: Seor Jose Maria de Areilza, president of the Council Europe, and a former Spanish Foreign Minister, issued a plea yesterday for Britain and Argentina to stop fighting and start

negotiating. He said both countries should respect the Security Council resolution, which called on Argentina to with-draw its troops from the

Madrid: Political leaders and newspaper headlines expressed shock and outrage at the recent escalation of the war. The independent Diario 16 headlined its frontpage story: "Mass Murder on the High Seas".

There is a growing feeling among political leaders that Spain is being ambivalent about its position in the Falkland dispute. The Government has issued a statement condemning Bri-tain for escalating the war, but has not taken sides, offering only to mediate.

☐ Rome. The Pope called for prayers for the victims of the Falkland Islands conflict and said he hoped that Senor said he hoped that Senor Javier Perez de Cuellar, United Nations Secretary General, might bring peace between Britain

São Paulo: Brazilian public opinion is quickly coming to the conclusion that the price being paid by Britain and Argentina over the Falklands is too high Brazil supports the Irish cell for a meeting of the Security Council, and is to participate in a meeting of Latin-American members of the United Nations, called for by Argentina.

El Stockholm: A row has erupted in Sweden over support given by Mr Ols Ullsten, the Foreign Minister

carefully written script to which he must adhere. Moredesire to see peace restored ping on a banana skin. in the continent. A tra- Reuter. over, many of the reporters 69 Labour MPs call for truce

By George Clark

Yesterday's Commons Order Paper contained a list of 69 Labour MPs and three Washington, May 5.—Venezuela, considered one of Argentina's strongest supporters in its Falkland's dispute with Britain, is reported to be providing Argentina with spare parts for Mirage fighter-bombers and Canberra light bombers, US intelligence sources said today. pationalists who have signed the motion calling for an immediate truce in the Falklands dispute. It was rakianus dispute. It was tabled by Dame Judith Hart, chairman of the Labour Party, and its main spon-sors include Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn (Bristol, South East), Miss Joan Maynard (Sheffield, Bright-side) and Mr Frank Allaun (Salford, East), who are members of the party execu-

tive.
The motion states: "That this House, deeply concerned at the escalation of conflict and loss of life in the region of the Falkland Islands, fearing that there are grave dangers of further escalation involving other countries.

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there should now be an immediate truce in the war before more lives are lost, and that her Majesty's Government should fully commit itself to genuine peaceful negotiation".

Cuba offers military aid

Paris, May 5.—Senor Car-los Raphael Rodriguez, the vice-president of Cuba, said today that his country would help Argentina "with every means, including military

In an interview with Le Monde, Senor Rodriguez, who is visiting Paris, said that Cuban-American relations could hardly return to normality before a negotiated solution of conflicts in Central America had been

He said Cuba was prepared o help Argentina with every but gave no further

Union defends blacking of Navy film

Ian McDonald: Ouoting

Hamlet's words.

down his words in longhand.

By David Felton Labour Reporter

The film technicians' union yesterday defended its de-cision to "black" an official government film of the Falklands Islands conflict which has bee shot by Navy

camer inen.
Leading of the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Adlied Technicians (ACIT), blames the Government for the industrial dis-puter which has meant that film normally handled by the Central Office of Information is not being processed. The Government has not

tried to get the naval film of action in the South Atlantic handled outside the COL but the union issued a warning that its members will abide by the "blacking" ordered by the annual union conference last month. Mr Roy Lockett, union

deputy general seretary, read a telegram sent to the union by the Ministry of Defence requesting that the "blacking" be lifted. The union replied that it would agree if negotiations on 26 redundancies in the film unit at the COI could be reopened.

No further talks have been held and union officials said deputy general seretary, read yesterday that they were prepared to continue the blacking until new talks or independent arbitration into the dispute were agreed.

Mr Robert Cryer, Labour MP for Keighley and chair-man of the Parliamentary Labour Party film group, told a press conference in the Commons that the Govern-ment was losing the propa-ganda war in the conflict with Argentina because of the union action.



Killed in action Lieutenant Nicholas Taylor, aged 32, from Dorset, was the first British serviceman killed in action with the task force. He was shot down as he piloted his Sea Harrier in an attack on the Goose Green airstrip in the Falklands. Lieutenant Taylor, who lived in Dorset, leaves a wife, Clare, who is a Second Officer in the Wrens. His father, Mr Harry Taylor, said: "I am proud to have had a son who died doing the job he loved for the country he loved."

as a preliminary to the two-day defence ministers' full

Nato attitude agreed for British action in the Falklands. Mr Olof Palme, the Socialist opposition leader, has strongly criticized Mr Ullsten, and demanded that he explain it to a full meeting of Parliament. From Ian Murray, Brussels: May 5 A special Euro-group meet to join as informal dinner of ing of Nato in Brusseels the Baropean Befence today discussed the Fal Committee He was then to klands crisis in some detail be shown the text agreed of Parliament. Mr Ullsten emphasized later that he was referring to about the South Atlantic.
Signor Lelio Lagorio, the
Italian Defence Minister, who
chaired the meeting, said that Nato meeting.

A text showing the attitudes of the European memthe recapture of South Georbers of the alliance to the be changed after Mr Nott had crisis in the South Atlanic a chance to study it.

was agreed but the ministers Earlier, Mr Casper Weindecided to keep its contents berger, the American Desecret until Mr John Nott, fence Secretary, who is in the British Defence minister, Brussels for the Full Nato meeting, said he had found total solidarity with Britain the meeting because he had during a series of bilateral the agreed statement snight Overseas selling prices the meeting because he had during a series of bilateral to appear in the House of meetings he had held during Commons, but he flew to the day with European Brussels in the early evening members of the alliance.

first indication of material aid from other Latin Ameriinvolving other countries, recognizing that a negotiated solution will be required, believing that the United Nations must be fully in-Venezuelan hostility to the British stems from a longstanding claim to territory in **CLOSING DOWN SALE** On our huge stock of Persian and Oriental carpets, rugs,

The loss of HMS Sheffield

Direct hit raises questions on Navy's defence

By Henry Stanhope, Defence Correspondent

Secretary of State for Defence, last year that too much is spent on weapon platforms for the armed forces and not enough on the weapons themselves.

This is not the first time that the 14 Type 42 destroyers in the Royal Navy have been surrounded by controversy. The 4,000-ton ships which cost about £85m rwo years ago and more than protect the task torce.

The Super Etendard which probably operating out of one of Argentina's southern based such as Rio Gallegos or Tierra del Fuego.

Its redius of action like that of all combat aircraft, speed and altitude, but with an Exocet under the atarrwo years ago and more than two years ago and more than E5m a year to operate, have long been criticized for being

other weapons on the Type 42 comprise a 4.5in gun, two 20mm connon and a Lynx

helicopter.

An article in the authoritat-Soviet Krivak class ships had to climb to identify it at whose size is comparable. It long range, then would sink commented with what now once more below the horizon turns out to have been sad -n disappearing from the

two Super Etendard jets carrying Exocet missiles. One missile went past the Sheffield but the second scored a direct hit on her. A

massive pall of smoke appeared on the horizon as Sea King helicopters ferried casualties back to the flagship carrier HMS Hermes. The Sheffield, about 15 miles

away, was completely blotted out by the smoke which formed a solid column from

was decided to give the order to abandon ship because of the danger of a possible explosion of the Sheffield's

uwn Sea Dart missiles. Two hours after the attack

the Invincible's crew were told: "Sheffield is floating level and high in the water. There are fires still burning on board."

It was 14.15 GMT when the alarm sounded on the Invin-cible and the 1,000-man crew

were told: "Air raid immi-nent from the South West.

the sea to the clouds.

The comprehensive destruction of the destroyer Sheffield by a single missile is raising a number of Britain and for Nato about the shape of the fleet, the design of its ships and the weapons they carry.

In one sense Tuesday's disaster vindicates the complaint of Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, last year that too much is spent on weapon platforms for the armed forces and not enough on the

board wing and a 1,100-litre external fuel tank strapped to

long been criticized for being under-armed.

They were designed primarily to accommodate the Sea Dart area air defence missile and thus help to provide protection from enemy aircraft for task forces like the one now in the South Atlantic.

Sea Dart can also be used against other ships, which is just as well because the only other weapons on the Type 42 comprise a 4.5in gun, two 20mm common and a Lynx external fuel tank strapped to the port wing it could need to probably manage 450 miles. This should have been enough if the pilot have been enough if the pilot have been mough if the pilot have been enough if the pilot have been enough if the pilot have been mough if the pilot have been enough if the pilot have been mough if the pilot have another surveillance aircraft pinpointing his target for in-flight refuelling, which would remain well behind the combat zone because of their volnerability. But it is questionable whether the five some and the pilot have been mough if the pilot have another surveillance aircraft pinpointing his target for in-flight refuelling, which would remain well behind the combat zone because of their volnerability. But it is questionable whether the five some another surveillance aircraft pinpointing his target for in-flight refuelling, which would remain well behind the combat zone because of their volnerability. with the Argintines are fitted for mid-air refuelling. If the Sheffield was operat-

An article in the authoritative journal Navy Intering as a picker, standing off national at the time of the Sheffield's acceptance by the Ships such as the Hermes and fleet in the mid-1970's com-Sheffield's acceptance by the fleet in the mid-1970's compared her mix of weapons pared her mix of weapons unfavourably with that of the clear target. He would have had to climb to identify it at



Deadly weapon: The French-made Exocet missile.

redar screens on the Shef-field almost as quickly as he

He would have fed the target information into the Exocet's computer before firing the missile and warch-ing it begin its sea-skimming journey of 20 miles or more at a speed slightly below that of sound. In the last stage of its flight the Exocet's own homing radar would have taken over and guided it to the bustling heart of the

destroyer. Sea Dart has a good

The most important lesson for the Navy is the necessity of finding a place on all its ships for Sea Wolf, the lightning fast anti-missile-so far installed only on two frigates with the task force, the new Type 22 ships Broadsword and Brilliant.

The unique British Aeros
The wolf so fast and hatches and foam extinguishers. Her hull is made of steel not aluminium as reported elsewhere.

Yet the crew were forced to abandon ship because the high explosive missile caused frie which was beyond the control of the destroyer's own fire-fighting teams and the new type is the necessity of the new steel not aluminium as reported elsewhere.

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pace Sea Wolf, so fast and accurate that it can split a to have already started shell in two in mid-flight, has among the task force follow-

against strong competition from a Dutch company, is about to become available.

dissile believed to have

struck here

Plans to fit lightweight Seawolf to a wider variety of vessels were thrown in jeopardy by the naval cuts last year. But this disaster off the Falkland Islands has at least demonstrated the proof of the falkland should be seen to be demonstrated the need for most, if not all, major warships to have anti-missile systems in addition to decoy and jamming counter-

Sea Dart has a good performance against aircraft at high and medium altitude, and a range far greater than the 25 miles published. But the aircraft would have been at altitude only briefly and the missile not at all.

The most important lesson extinguishers. Her hull is Yet another field

An inquiry is understood

shell in two in mid-flight, has so far taken up too much space for naval designers to find room for it on warships not specifically built with the system in mind.

But a lightweight system with a new radar being developed by Marconi, which recently won the contract Sheffield is needed.

anger by both civilians and

tsmouth and had last visited

On Tuesday night the same families were in constant touch with the special switchboards of the Naval Families Service in Portsmouth which were set up to deal with inquiries from relatives after

the news broke of the ship's

Reinforcing the fleet

HMS Sheffield Type 42 destroyer

Vickers Mark 8

are illustrated above, has spurred Tyne-side into "superhuman efforts" to speed up delivery of the Royal

Navy's latest ship.
This will be the £200m anti-submarine aircraft carrier, HMS Illustrious (below, berthed at the Swan Hunter dock), sister ship to HMS Invincible, now the spearhead of the task force in the South Atlantic.

The 18,000-ton carrier

over until September. Now every effort is being made to bring the date forward to June. At the same time,

preparations are almost complete for the launching ceremony on Saturday of HMS Beaver, a Type 22 frigate being built at Yarrow's Shipyard on the Clyde. The ship will be equipped with Exocet guided missiles, similar to the wea-pon that hit HMS Shef-



Portsmouth mourns victims

From David Hewson, Portsmouth

In a report carried in the final edition of yesterday's The closing." Shortly afterwards Itimes, John Witherow, in a pooled dispatch, told of the destruction of the Sheffield:

The tleet was attacked by two Super Etendard jets

Two aircraft at 60 miles and as its engines were turned up to full speed as it moved this way and that through the reminder that the darker side of glory is grief. The loss of and explosions as Invincible's and explosions as Invincible's

air-launched Exocet missile. They are currently lighting the fire." Fifteen minutes later, as frigates around Invincible put up an anti-missile screen, an officer told the crew: "We may be about to come under missile attack."

The crew all hit the deck and spread themselves on the floor as a means of minimiz-ing personal injury. The carrier shook with vibration

Smoke from sea to clouds

From John Witherow on board HMS Invincible in the South Atlantic



"Sam" Captain James commander of Sheffield, who comes from Petersfield, Hampshire.

everyone to jump as they were just like the noise of an naval personnel. The de-stroyer was based at Porncoming rocket. One minute later the ship's crew were told: "The picture is some-what confused. But there are it in November before sailing for the Indian Ocean. for the Indian Ocean.

Two British warships have been on permanent patrol off the Gulf of Oman since the start of the Iran-Iraq war. When the Falklands hostilities broke out, the Sheffield was on its way home to Britain and preparations were well advanced for a party for the crews' families on board at Portsmouth.

On Tuesday night the same almost certainly now no missiles in flight."

At that point a frigate launched a torpedo attack against a suspected enemy submarine beneath the task force. She reported loud underwater explosions and helicitates and heli helicopters were called in to carry out sonar sweeps for submarines. From the Invin-cible could be seen a sea full of warships all manoeuving at top speed in defensive

As the news about the Sheffield came through, 22 year-old Tom Cunningham. from Liverpool, a Naffi counter assistant who signed on for active naval service only two days ago for the duration of hostilities, said: "My future brother- in-law is on the Sheffield. I was at his house only a few days before we left the United Kingdom. I can't believe this has happened. Sheffield was at Gibraltar when we sailed from Portsmouth."

happening. We can only show solidarity and support for the ships and men still there," he said.

A number of people had contacted the council about the incident. "They have been a bit grim-faced and tight-lipped but they don't want to feel that these lives have been lost in vain." Far from fearing further engagements, the people of Portsmouth may want them more than the rest of the country, Mr Marshall said. Mr Marshall said.

"I rather question whether people round here are very sympathetic about the United Nations. The media seemed extraordinarily concerned about the Belgrano, almost as if the BBC was trying to be impartial. That isn't the way we look at it," Mr Marshall

"There was a remarkable expression of patriotism when the two aircraft carriers left bere. Tens of thousands of people saluted them. I think there is now a lind of the patriotic which A team of naval chaplains, officers and social workers who had been on 24 hour call for such emergencies for the last four weeks set off to meet the families of the dead kind of gut reaction which says that it is time we should stop being pushed around." Mr Marshall said that he Flags were at half mast throughout the city. Mr John Marshall, the leader of the City Council's ruling Contact the last War when the Hood,

A memorial service will be beld for the dead of the Sheffield though probably not until after the Falklands crisis is settled.

Sheffield: As flags were flying at half-mast through-out the city, the City Council passed a formal resolution passed a formal resolution yesterday urging the Prime Minister to take every possible step to end the conflict in the South Atlantic and begin talks at the United Nations to bring about a ceasefire. Councillors also resolved to do all in their power to help the bereave and injured resulting from the missile attack on the destroyer Sheffield.

"There isn't anyone in

"There isn't anyone in Sheffield who is not absolutely sturned by the loss," Mrs Enid Hattersley, the Lord Mayor said. "We had a very close relationship with the ship and her crew".

the ship and her crew".

A message of sympathy is is expected to go from the city to the Royal Navy; plans for a commemorative service may be made later. Mrs. Hattersley recently invited all the crew and officers of the Sheffield for a civic reception at the town hall. tion at the town hall.

Admiral may be under threat

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, May 5

Admiral Jorge Isaac Anaya, the commander of the Argentine Navy and member of the three-man ruling junta in Buenos Aires, may be "the first head to roll" as a result of the Falklands crisis, according to the Washington-based Council on Hemispheric Affairs

spheric Affairs.

The council, which is sponsored by American trade unions and professional and academic groups and is one of a number of specialist organizations frelinh with Latin American affairs made its assessment before the successful Argentine attack on the Sheffield.
It said Admiral Anaya was

responsible for the dispatch of a group of scrap metal workers to Soluth Georgia in March 20. Their subsequent expulsion by the British provided the pretext for Argentina's invasion of the Falklands two weeks later. The provocation, according to the council, was intended by Admiral Anaya unilaerally ordered several Argentine warships, including its only sircraft carrier, the twenty-fith of May, to set sail on April 15 from Puerto Belgrano, without any prior consul-tation with other members of the armed forces joint chiefs of staff. Since then, the Argentine Navy has suffered severe losses.

The Argentine Army and Air Force have reluctantly been dragged by Admiral Anaya's actions into a conserious misgivings. General Basilio Lami Dozo, the chief of the Air Force, is said to be hesitant to commit his force to battle for fear of losing its

They would be of crucial importance if Argentina went to war with Chile over the Beagle Channel dispute. The Air Force has spent tens of millions of dollars on new aircraft since the two countries nearly went to war in 1979. Admiral Anaya was the main instigator of the flare-up in the Beagle Channel dispute.

"The Argentine high command is in obvious and "The serious dissarray because of Anaya's privateering", the council said. "His maverick actions will be used by the high command to avoid nigh command to avoid taking direct responsibility for what is quickly develop-ing into a major military and political disaster for Argenti-

The council says divisiveness is now so pro-nounced within the armed forces that Argentina has no hope of staging an effective counter-offensive to British tactics.

Ottawa is accused of hypocrisy

From John Best
Ottawa, May 5
The Canadian government
has been accused of hypoc-

risy in continuing to ship nuclear fuel bundles to Argentina in the Falkland Islands crisis. The accusation was one of several made to Mr Mark MacGurgan, the External Affairs Minister, at a lively meeting last night, of the House of Commons standing committee on foreign affairs, which was dominated by the Falklands

question.
Mr MacGurgan told Mr
John Crosbie, the foreign
affairs spokesman of the
official Conservative opposition, that Canada has given strong moral support to Britain besides banning military exports to Argentina and allowing Britain the use of communications facilities on Canada's east coast. Britain's use of force in the hostilities had been proper and reason-able so far as he could

determine.
Nevertheless he was "con-

fuel

nuclear fuel

If Canada broke its contracts the Buenos Aires
Government migh feel free to
use a nuclear power station
being built by Canadian
engineers in Argentina "in
ways we would not approve",
an apparent reference to the
possibility of making nuclear
bombs from the station's bombs from the station's spent fuel. Mr Robert Wenman an-

Mr Robert Wenman another prominent Conservative MP, attacked the Government from a different direction. While agreeing that Britain's position was morally and legally correct, he observed critically that several hundred people had now died protecting the rights of 1,800 Falklanders. Canada was a friend of Britain but Mr Wenman asked: "Don't was a friend of Britain but,
Mr Wenman asked: "Don't
you have an obligation to
draw them back from the
fight?" Mr macGurgan insisted that Canada had taken "a responsible and honour-able position". sels have been requisitioned by the Ministry of Defence.

Government pays first P & O bill

started to pay some of the bills from P&O for its requisitioned vessels — the liners Canberra and Uganda and the cargo ships Norland and Elk. The direct bill for the use of the vessels, and their operating costs, is believed to be around £290,000 a day. Mr Richard Adams, P&O's managing director, said the company had been paid for the first had been paid for the first month.

He said the company ha submitted an application for compensation, but there has been no response from the Government, P&O want to know whether the Government will pay for loss of business on its cruise liners when they are returned to civilian use.

Jamming is stepped up

The Argentine authorities yesterday stepped up their jamming of BBC programmes in Spanish to Latin America cerned" about the increasing in Spanish to Latin America loss of life in the Falklands conflict and had ordered Canadian diplomats at the (Kenneth Gosling writes).

United Nations to increase their efforts in support of a negotiated solution.

Mr MacGurgan rejected Mr Crosbie's demand that Canada halt the shipment of purchase finel canada halt has shipment of the canada halt had believed to the canada ha mented by a succession of Morse code type dots, but reports from Argentina sug-gest that the broadcasts can still be heard and understood.

Dakar stopover

Senegal has confirmed that British aircraft are using Dakar as a stopover on the way to Ascension Island in the South Atlantic. Mr Djibo Ka the Information Minister said that the use of Dakar was "certainly" within the terms of agreements that existed between Britain and

Seamen say no

Seamen at Felixtowe, Suffolk, decided yesterday to heed their union's advice not to sail their vessels Nordic Ferry and Baltic Ferry to the Falklands Islands. Both ves-

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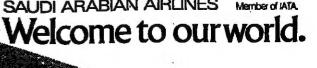
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An early ceasefire is a vital ingredient of the diplomatic ideas for solving the Falklands crisis on which the British Government and Mr Alexander Haig, the American Secretary of State, are working, Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said

in a statement in the Commons. The Government was sparing no efforts in the search for an acceptable solution in line with he principles he had stated on

Although it is we who have een the victims of aggression (he said) it is also we who are working tirelessly and constructively for a peaceful solution. Mr Pym said: The military losses which have now occurred on both sides in this unhappy conflict emphasize all the more

the urgent need to find a diplomatic solution.

The House will wish to know Ine House will wish to know that since my return from the United States on Monday I have remained in the closest possible touch with Mr Haig.

As I reported to the House yesterday, we are working very actively on ideas put to us by Mr Haig, including some advanced by the President of Peru. by the President of Peru. Yesterday afternoon, after my statement, I sent a constructive contribution of our own to Mr Haig. He is taking this fully into account. I shall be in touch with him again later on today.

I want to tell the House that a vital ingredient of the ideas on which we are working is an early ceasefire and the prompt withdrawal of Argentine forces. I can

drawal of Argentine forces, I can assure the House that we are sparing no efforts in the search for an acceptable solution in line with the principles which we have stated on several occasions.

The points which were put to me in New York by the Secretary-General of the United Nations are also receiving our very careful attention. I have been in touch with York been in touch with Mr Perez de Cuellar about this since my return from New York and will continue to keep in close contact

There are many points of similarity between the Secretary-General's thinking and the points we are pursuing with Mr Haig. Indeed, Mr Perez de Cuellar's helpful ideas seem certain to be reflected in the basis of any colution which we may be able to solution which we may be able to

any obstructionism there may be will not come from our side. Although it is we who have been the victims of aggression, it is also we who are working tirelessly and constructively for a percent solution (Cheeve) peaceful solution. (Cheers.)

Mr Denis Healey, deputy Leader of the Opposition and spokesman on foreign and commonwealth affairs: We all feel that if military escalation continues in the way it has over the past few days, more lives could be lost, both Argentia's way Printly than them are niae and British, than there are inhabitants on the Falkland intrabilitants on the Falkland Islands. It underlines the paramount necessity of achieving a diplomatic solution.

Can Mr Pym confirm reports that Mr Haig has asked for a two-day ceasefire so that diplomatic possibilities can be further explored, and if that is the case.

what response the British Government bas given? I particularly welcomed what he said about the United Nations Secretary General, which was a good deal more forthcoming than what he said yesterday which in turn was more forthcoming than what he said last Thursday.

and de said last Inursday.

I see that the Secretary-General is reported in The Times today as saying that the suspension of the peace initiative by Mr Haig has created a diplomatic vacuum which only the United Nations can fill.

As he will know, that has been the view of the Opposition for

As I understand it, the Argentine Government has already agreed to accept the good offices of the United Nations. I appeal to Mr Pym to agree that the British Government should do the same. I think that any doubts it might have had at one time must have been removed by the Secretary-General's statement yesterday that he insists on the full implementation of resolution 502 which requires Argentine forces to leave the Falkland Islands.

raikiand islands.
I was particularly glad to hear
Mr Nott endorse my words this
morning, that a ceasefire must
depend on agreement on nego-

tiating processes which will get. Argentine forces off the islands. That is an important distinction from the demand that a ceasefire cannot take place until Argentine forces have left.

Mr Pym: I thank him for what he said at the beginning and recognize that we share a desire to achieve a peaceful settlement if it can be done.

About the two-day ceasefire, in connexion with any negotiated settlement which involves withdrawal, arrangement for a ceasefire is an inevitable part and s and always has been part of the

It is helpful that I am in close touch with the UN Secretary-General. He has offered his good offices to the Argentine and the United Kingdom and I have responded in that sense to him.

We have shared ideas. The ideas he sent recently I am

There has been no suspension of the peace initiative by Mr Haig. Mr Healey perhaps implied that Mr Haig's efforts had come to an end. That is not so. It is clear that they began a new phase when the Argentines rejected the proposals out forward earlier. It is helpful that his efforts are

continuing.

I do not agree that only the
United Nations can fill the
vacuum. I am not so worried
about how it is filled, so long as It is.

In my opinion, the Haig efforts
are the most helpful basis for
achieving a settlement but I do
not exclude anything else and

certainly not the United Nations.

Mr Healey: It has been widely reported that the Secretary General has put various proposals to the British and Argentine Governments for a substantive solution to the crisis and is asking the British. Government and the Argentine Government to respond to his proposals today.

proposals today.

Can Mr Pym confirm those reports and inform the House that the British Government will take the initiative in responding and not hide behind a possible refusal of the Argentine Government to respond, as was the case with the Haig proposals earlier?

Mr Pym: There is no question of hiding behind anything. I have been in touch with the Secretary-General and responding on the cuttines he has been speaking about, but I am of the view that the Haig porposals are more likey to lead to a way forward.

matter which requires to be kept under diplomatic privacy, but if the proposals have been made we would wish a positive response. Could it be without delay?

Mr Pym: No formal proposals have been put to me in that sense, they were ideas. He is getting a response from me: what is happening in the Argentine I do not know. I am in close touch and that seems the most helpful

and that seems the most helpful reply and most positive position in which I can be.

in which I can be.

Mr Dennis Canavan (West Stirlingshire, Lab): How many more lives have to be lost before the Government fully realizes there can be no purely military solution to this crisis? If the Government is seriously intent on a long-term peaceful solution why does it not comply with the increasing demand from some Labour MPs and also nationally increasing demand from some Labour MPs and also nationally and internationally, for an immediate ceasefire and for the United Nations, not the United States to act as a mediator?

The situation is in danger of it escalating into a fullscale blood bath where no one will win and Britain will find itself, increas-ingly isolated. Mr Pym: I, would like an immediate ceasefire and with-

drawal which the Argentine is under an obligation to do under the Argentine shows no sign of doing so, indeed entirely to the contrary.

I am searching for this solution notwithstanding the fact

that we are the victims and the country that has suffered an act of aggression when the Falkland Islands was invaded. There does Islands was invaded. I here does not seen to be a desire on the other side, or very little desire that we have seen so far, for seeking an agreement.

Mr Michael Neubert (Havering, Romford, C): The indivisibility of the question of sovereignty allows little scope for nego-

tiation.

Has the worsening weather in the South Atlantic had an effect on the attempt of an invasion of the Falkland Islands by prolong-



Pym: Responding to UN

In these circumstances the most effective negotiating weapon available to us is likely to prove to be a military weapon

has said, but I would infinitley prefer that these troops leave the

islands under peaceful means rather than be driven out by

force and if anyone can achieve that everyone would be relieved.

Mr Robert Cryer (Keighly, Lab):

Would be confirm that resolution 502 does not give carte blanche for any military action by the Government but calls for a ceasation of hostilities and a

egotiated peaceful resolution of

military activity could result in the deaths of the Falkland

Islander — the very people we are claiming we are seeking to

defend?
Does he not realise that by military action the Government is seen to be less and less willing to

calls for withdrawal which he did not mention. I am thinking of the islanders and they are suffering at the moment under the heel of the invader whom they did not want and did not invite and which is intern on imposing on them a way of life and government they did not want.

It is in their determent taken the steps we have. They are at the moment suffering under an invading country and far too many invading

under an invading country and there are far too many invading countries in the world at the present time. We have that very much in mind.

Mr Jonathon Aitken (Thanet, East, C): There remains a formidable problem in negotiating with the Argentine Junta since its leaders have shown themselves to speak with divided contradictory and often incoherent voice.

cautious about negotiating terms for a ceasefire or anything like it until they have shown by their deeds that they are withdrawing

that even proposals by the President can be overthrown, and sometimes in the middle of the

United States about a week or 10 days ago and turned down by Argentina are over. Since then a

number of governments have produced ideas and at present we

are working on proposals which are a mixture of those of the United States and those from the

Dr Bavid Owen (Plymouth, Devenport, SDP). We fully support his intention of linking any early cesseline with the withdrawal of Argentine forces and no doubt the withdrawal of Batists, forces from the South

and no doubt the withdrawal of British forces from the South

Is there any possibility of the

Peruvian Government actually putting down proposals rather than going into the Security Council debate? Many people expect a clearer indication from the British Government of its long term programment will be a security of the security programment.

long-term position. Will he positively welcome the concept of a trusteeship council?

Mr Pym: There were some

proposals that originated in Peru completely and these have been absorbed within other negotiations. I hope our of them will come proposals that will have a chance of success. Mr Haig is in

touch with Peru and working in

Argentine.
In the long term the Govern-

ment has borne in mind about anything that might be a solution

and the trusteeship concept is one of these and may in the end prove to be a highly satisfactory-one: I do not know. It is certainly

a concept which can be con-sidered.

Mr lan Lloyd (Havant and Waterloo, C): While the House and the country obviously wish

Atlantic as well.

ed in the legitimate exercise of

well in any negotiations which do not prejudice our fundamental national objectives. it is preferable sooner than later that we should recognize that the task force will not be able to achieve its objectives, falling 2 negotiated settlement, unless the Argentines are not capable of operating missile-carrying air-craft from any runways within Does not the Government recognise the escalation of the

> considerations and aspects are being thought about in great depth, and possible name moment concentrate our minds on trying to achieve a peaceful

Mr Healey: There is a risk that find our action prempted by representatives in he Security Coucil whose interests are by no means as benign or well informed

Mr Pym: I am not convinced that another initiative wihin the UN would help. It is a possible option, but at the moment we have resolution 502 which has to be carried out.

I have to bear in mind a carefully how it is to our best advantage and to the advantage of getting a peaceful settlement to take any further initiative in the UN.

Condition for suspending operations

Mr Pym: Yes, I am showing appropriate caution, I will also show appropriate enthusiasm. It is difficult to negotiate with the Argentines because their construction of government is such conduct about which Labou peers felt disquiet was whether peers felt disquiet was whether the Government was giving full weight to the need to involve the United Nations, Lord Stewart of Fulham, for the Opposition, said after Lord Belstead, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, had repeated in the House of Lords Mr Pym's statement on diplomatic moves over the Falkland Islands. Mr David Trippier (Rossendale, C): Is it correct to assume that the formal negotiations by Mr Haig are inter-linked with those

Lord Maybew (L) said that Liberal peers would regard a ceasefire which allowed the re-supplying and reinforcement of the islands

Lord Belstead said the Govern-ment told the UN Secretary General last night that it was considering the ideas that came up when the Foreign Secretary sw the Secretary General.

The Secretary General had not described his ideas as being formal proposals or a UN plan.

I would like to make clear (he added) that the Foreign Secretary welcomes the Secretary General's in close touch with him. He will be giving the Secretary General very shortly a fuller indication of

our thinking.
Our basic objective remains Our basic objective remains unaltered — to secure the withdrawal from the Falkland Islands of all the occupying Argentine forces, as called for by the Security Council resolution 502. Our operations will be suspended as soon as this objective is secured. He said that a precondition which was still being put by the Argentines was that for any negotiations to take place, the result of those negotiations would already have been decided in Argentine's favour.

That will not do the said if a

That will not do (he said) if a just solution is to be reached. (Cheers)

that way and through them as they are friends with the Argentine and this may be a good Lord Hankey (Ind) suggested there might be a case for using maximum force and settling the

> Lord Beistead: We must do on more thing. We are ready, at all times to enter into proper negotiations on this matter. We are ready to use the good offices of the President of Peru, of Mr Haig, and of the UN Secretary General, but it has got to be for fair and just negotiations.

Nott appeals to media to respect privacy of relatives

On no account must British ships in the task force in the South Atlantic be hazarded by giving information prematurely. Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, said in a further statement to the Commons about the loss of HMS Sheffield and further questions about the sinking of the Argentine cruiser

sinking of the Argentine cruiser General Belgrano.

The task force, he explained, could not conceivably have any lesser rules of engagement than those the Government issued which were to allow the ships to defend themselves as a fleet.

Members of the Opposition parties in the House associated Members of the Oposition parties in the House associated themselves with expressions of sympathy with the next of kin of those on HMS Sheffield who are missing and the Sea Harrier pilot who lost his life. Mr Nott appealed to press, radio and television to give some privacy in the next few days to the families of those involved in this tragedy.

Mr Nott, in his further statement about the Argentine attack of HMS Sheffield, said: HMS Sheffield, said:
In the statement I made to the
House late last (Tuesday) night I
provided an outline of the attack
on HMS Sheffield and of the loss

provided an outline of the loss of one of our Sea Harriers and its pilot. The pilot was Lieutenant Nicholas Taylor. His next-of-kin have been informed and the whole House will I know wish to join me in expressing sorrow and deepest sympathy with his family. (Cheers).

It is entirely right that the House should now have as full an account of the attack on HMS Sheffield as I am able to give today. The House will understand why it will be necessary for me to repeat some of the details I provided last night.

At about 3.30 London time yesterday afternoon HMS Sheffield was attacked by Argentine Super Etemdard aircraft which

field was attacked by Argentine Super Etendard aircraft which launched Exocet missiles. HMS Sheffield was some 70 miles off the Falklands enforcing the total exclusion zone, together with other elements of the task force. One missile missed the ship; the other hit her amidships. The resulting explosion caused a major fire. Although attempts were made to extinguish the fire for nearly four hours, with the assistance of fire-fighting teams from other ships in the ares, if eventually spread out of control. At about 7pm London time the At about 7pm London time the order was given to abandon ship. Ships of the task force in the

Ships of the task force in the area picked up survivors, and the latest information I have is that about 30 men are still missing. A further number sustained injuries, and they are being well cared for under medical supervision. We have no further details of casualties at the present time.

The ships are still engaged on operations and I know that the force commander will provide further information just as soon as he is able to do so. All the next-of-kim of the ship's company are being informed. The thoughts of the whole House are with them at this sad time. (Renewed cheers)

Mr Denis Healey, deputy leader of the Opposition and chief spokesman on foreign affairs, said: May I associate the Opposition with the tribute to the courage of the Harrier pilot and the crew of the Sheffield and our sympathy for the families of those who gave their lives in the defence of the principle which is

defence of the principle which is regarded as of great importance by all members of the House. (Cheers)

Is there any truth in the report in American press and television that a major naval engagement is proceeding in the South Atlantic?

I hope the Secretary of State will concede that the Argentinians knew the position of our task force yesterday and therefore its position on Sunday, when the attack on the Argentine cruiser took place, is no longer a matter which needs to be matter which needs to be concealed from the House or the world.
I hope he will find it possible

I hope he will thin it possible to give us a better idea of the distance between the point where the engagement took place and the task force because if he is unable to do so then inevitably MPs and foreign countries are bound to take his silence to imply that the decision to attack the

submarine commander without reference to the commander of visit, but by telephone if that is the task force perhaps because he was physically unable to communicate with him.

If this was the case then it argues that there is a serious handicap in the political control of our forces at a time when the House agrees with the Secretary of State that we must always us minimum force under political control in order to achieve diplomatic objectives. alomatic phiectives.

diplomatic objectives.

Mr Nott: I appreciate Mr Healey's first comment that many men are missing and probably are dead defending principles which, he said, he thought were supported by the House, I much appreciate those words of his.

We have no knowledge of any naval battle going on in the Arlantic at the present time. I am aware there have been reports from American sources that one

from American sources that one is happening. I cannot be sure—
(some Labour interruptions)—
but we have no reports of it. I did
check on that quite recently.
(Labour shouts of "Political
control?")

control?").

I am sorry but it is impossible at a distance of 8,000 miles to require our task force commander repeatedly during the day to communicate with London (Conservative cheers).

As for his point about distance, which he raised yesterday, I see no reason at all why within a few days' time we should not be able to provide him with that information. There is no reason to conceal it.

information. There is no reason to conceal it.

We think that HMS Sheffield may have been detected by an Argentine reconnaissance aircraft. We cannot be sure. We think it may have been and that was possibly the reason why they attacked with Exocet missiles.

It underlines that we must not on any account hazard our ships by giving information prematurely. I do not want to conceal information from Mr Healey that can be safely announced.

can be safely announced.

As for his last question, I made clear yesterday that every action by our forces in the South Atlantic is taken within strict political control and authority. The actual decision to launch the



Wall: Missile age reached.

mander but that decision was taken within very clear rules of engagement which had been settled in London and discussed

by the Government.

We regarded the Belgrano as a threat to our forces. We cannot conceivably have had any lesser rules of engagement than those we issued which were to allow

Mr Nott: an organization has been set up to process all-casualty information and there are sub-units in naval bases which receive information and inform the next of kin. They are

officer. preferably by a home visit, but by telephone if that is essential. This is done as quickly as possible after information has been received from the task force

It winded from the task force it winded by the Royal Navy and the next of kin if those involved in this tragedy could be given some privacy by the media for the high few days. I only ask that basings of some problems that because of some problems which I think have arisen today.

with an up-dated tracker radar but that was one of the casualties of the defence review?

Mr Note: The Sheffield was armed with Sea Darr missiles of the latest kind. These missiles are an area air defence weapon. They are not very successful against incoming missiles of a particular kind. They are primarily for engaging on an area basis incoming aircraft. That is the principal defence of the Sheffield.

We do not know why the Sea

field.

We do not know why the Sea Dart system did not successfully engage the aircraft. It is possible that the aircraft came in very low, under radar cover. But there was nothing in the equipment of this ship which deferred in any way from the normal complement of weapons on our Type 42 destroyers.

name, has resulted in a great groundswell of desire for nego-tiation on peace, not only in Sheffield, but much farther. Sheffield, but much farther.

Telegrams have come to the council in Sheffield from, for example, many factories and to Sheffield MPs down here, and this afternoon in the city there is an ordinary council meeting at which the leader of the council will be moving a resolution in which he asks, on behalf of the council for negotiations through

the United Nations on the question of peace.

Does the Secretary of State not agree that the insistence that no negotiations will take place as long as those troops are on the Falklands is a break against the struggle for peace, and is it not time this was quested and that we went to the United Nations and discussed the question of a peaceful solution through negotiation? Mr Nott Of course there is a

desire for peace. It is widespread in the country. It is shared by MPs on both sides of the House. MPs on both sides of the House. We want to obtain as soon as we possibly can a diplomatic settlement to this problem. Mr Healey made a very fair and reasonable comment on the Today programme, which was very good.

He said: "It would not be to Britain's advantage to agree to a ceasefare unless we are clear that we had a negotiating process." we had a negotiating process which would get the Argentines off fthe island." That is, I think, off the island. That is, I think, the general view of the whole House, fe's not shared by every MP, but it is the general view of the Houseand I share it.

Mr Peter Griffiths (Portsmouth North, Carthe most appropriate memorially) the brave young men

we issued which were to allow our ships to defend themselves as a fleet.

Mr Alan Clark (Plymouth, Sutton, C) said that for the Royal Navy the loss of a ship was a dreadful thing and nothing could make up for the personal terrible grief and sense of loss to the next of kin.

Will Mr Nott assure the House (he went on) that wherever it is humanly possible the next of kin will hear of these events before the news is released to the agencies? Would it not be preferable for an officer to visit; the next of kin and assure himself that there is no immediate personal hardship and to explain to them their entitle, ments?

Mr Nott: Sentirely appropriate memorials the brave young men who ions their lives in HMS Sheffielding ship whose home port is my constituents, which high brought a tragedy to that circ find my constituents, which high brought a tragedy to that circ find my constituents, which high brought a tragedy to that circ find my constituents, which high brought a tragedy to that circ find my constituents.

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Falkland frands.

Mr Note: sentirely agree the way in which this conflict canbe ended spinght away is for the Argentine to agree to implement Resolution 502. If in the next few days the do not in any way challenge air ships and our men and threaten them, and they case coming into the total exclusion spore, then no casualties can asse.



Dormand: Concern over torpedo decision.

The way to solve this conflict is for them to abide by the UN

Mr John Dormand (Easingto Mr John Dormand (Easington, Lab): The Secretary of State said there were difficulties in maintaining communications between the task force and the Government. I fully accept that there must be real difficulties in doing that. He then went on to say there was full political control of the decisions of the task force. taken to fire two torpedoes. Is there some inconsistency here which needs some explanation?

Mr. Nott: When ships are engaged in operations which are dangerous they are subjected constantly to attack and are frequently imposing upon themselves radio silence, because unless they are on radio silence their position can be detected. Therefore there will be periods when we are not in contact. for very good in contact, for very good operational reasons, with all of

Our communications via socal

she reasons I have given.

Sir Frederick Burden (Gillingham, C): While we are pursuing every effort to bring about a diplomatic settlement of this dispute, the Argentines at this moment are determined to deploy all the military strength they can against the task force.

Should we not recognize this and no longer talk about using minimum force against an enemy prepared to deploy his greatest strength against us and use our strength as heavily as possible to bring this dispute to an end and the Argentines to the diplomatic table?

Mr Nott: In saying that we wish

Mr Nott: In saying that we wish to pursue minimum force that does not mean in any way that we are esking our forces to hold back on the pursuance of their objectives. Nor in any way does it suggest that they are not totally free to defend themselves against attack and indeed where they are threatened to attack the enemy first. That does not require them to hold back in any way at all. This aggression started on the Argeotine side. Since then they have continuously reinforced the islands which they are required to leave by Resolution 502.

I quite understand the strong feelings in the House, which I share, about the sinking of the Mr Nott: In saying that we wish

share, about the sinking of the General Belgrano, but it did-threaten the security and safety of our men and ships and it would not have been possible in that situation for us to ask our forces to hold back in defending themselves.

Mr Allen McKay (Penistone, Lab): Can he assure the House political control does not slow down any defensive action which the fleet may take? (Conservative cheers). Mr Nott: I can give him that

assurance. There is not assurance. There is nothing areas in any directive we have given which can in any way hazard our forces in the difficult task which confronts them. Sir Patrick Wall (Haltemprice, C): Is not the loss of HMS Sheffield

a clear indication that we have reached the missile age? reached the missile age?
The only really effective defence against sea-skimming missiles is Sea Wolf. Will he press ahead with the light-weight Sea Wolf and see that it is installed in most of our ships? Mr Nott: I share his concern about the development of mis-siles. We have made a major priority in our programme the radar tracker for the light weight. Sea Wolf.

Chances cannot be taken

HOUSE OF LORDS

After Viscount Trenchard, Minis-After Viscount Trenchard, Minister of Sate for Defence Procurement, had repeated Mr Nort's statement on HMS Sheffield, Lord Peart, for the Opposition, said with this escalation, the conflict had entered a new and more serious phase. More urgent steps to achieve first a ceasefire and, second, a diplomatic settlement must be taken.

Will he confirm (he said) that the use of minimum force the use of minimum force remains the firm policy of the Government and that we adhere to the terms of Relolution 502 in every particular?

the missile?
Would be confirm that the policy of minimum force remains absolutely and that no attacks will be authorized in Argentine same way as our behaviour before Argentina invaded the Falkland Island.

Viscount Trenchard: Lord Peart's description of the conflict entering into a new and dangerous phase is not the complete picture. Mr Nott has never underestimated what a formudable task lay in front of the task force. formidable task lay in front of the task force.

When an aggressor has already committed aggression, it is not easy to put matters right by the military route. There will, of course, be no diminution of our efforts down the route.

We have given an assurance

efforts down the route.

We have given an assurance that we will continue to use the minimum force necessary but we have also said that our first duty must be in the face of Argentine aggression to protect our own task force which is engaged on objectives which peers have supported. supported.
The ships of the task force are

Lord Kennet (SDP): Would we be right that the number of dead on both sides is approaching one quarter of the number of Falkland Islanders and that the number of fighting men down there whose lives are at risk is

about ten times the number of Falkland Islanders? Viscount Tranchard: Aggressors often start with relatively small aggressions. History shows that if aggressions are not resisted they are likely to continue, both there and in other parts of the

The number of Falkland Islanddo not want to be occupied by a foreign power. The number is of small relevance in relation to the small relevance in relation to the resistance of aggression.

The Bishop of Norwich (the Rt Rev Maurice Wood): There is strong support for all that the Government is seeking to do to maintain justice and to work for peace in this area, and the principles in which we are engaged and our role concerning the position of aggression.

In There might be a review of British relationships with some countries when the Fellcland Island conflict is over. Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary, said during questions on the Government's relationships with dictatorships.

Mr Alexander Lydo (York, Lab):

Lord Renton (C): There is a to repair runways and redouble.

equipped with complementary apti-aircraft weapon systems, including importantly. Sea Wolfs and Sea Dart on different ships.

It is believed atthis stage — and reports are restricted at the moment — that the reconnaisance Neptune aircraft sighted early in the day from the Argentine must have given the Etendard aircraft, not the Mirages, more or less the position of the task force.

Because the attack was a low and not a high level one use of the air launched Exocet missiles being in excess of 35 miles.

We believe that the Argentines only have five of these aircraft capable of delivaring the Exocet air-launched missile.

Viscount Einchard: Any cease-fire at the Eurocupation and without any time are the Euroca they with the Argentine amount to fine, set and match to the Argentine to obsessible a concern with this principle of minimum force if we are at the with Argentine, whether delivered or otherwise?

It is time some of the more into operation. The principle of minimum force is more appropriate that they be into operation. The principle of minimum force is more appropriate to internal policing than foreign policy. This one military reverse, traffic as it may be should not result in a failure of national will.

viscount Trenchard: There can be no doubt that in recent days there has been a sustained offensive and it has been clear from the movement of forces that Aargentine commanders have been under orders to attack our task force in every appropri-ate way. Frake his point in relation to the balance necessary in the question of using min

mum force.

The guidance and rules of engagement which the commander has had really do allow the balance to be struck. Taking account of the massive power and range of modern weaponty, chances cannot be taken. I take chances cannot be taken. I his last point in its entirety.

the position of aggression. Viscount Trenchard: The House will have noted the semiments expressed from his benches, including those upheld by him, and the importance of the two principles which were upheld.

ships with dictatorships. The Alexander Lyon (Fork, Lab). His conversation against dictatorship in Argentina was a bit late and it night be better if the Foreign Office did actually hold a review, when it is all over, of our relationships, particularly in review, when it is all over, of our relationships, particularly in relation to selling arms to those dictmorships around the world, and particularly in Latin America because the issue now has obviously changed

Demands for cut in surcharge

FINANCE BILL

A cut in national insugate surpharge from 3h per cent was far from impressive, Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs (Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar), said in moving an amendment on the last day of the Finance Bill committee stage on the floor of the House. The amendment which was considered with two related

amendments, sought to substitute 1% per cent for the reduction to 2% per cent provided for in the

Mr Kenneth Lewis (Rutland and Stamford, C) said the Treasury should consider doing away with the national insurance surcharge, and failing this remodel the whole tax He would be dismayed if the surcharge went into the next Parliament and feared it would become permanent. It was a payroll tax and a bad tax and should be destroyed by the end of this Parliament.

If it could not be abolished, it should be re-cast to help employers to take on labour, by basing it — like income tax — on a lower level, a middle level and a higher level. higher level.

Mr Richard Wainwright (Colne Valley, L) referring to two Liberal/SDP amendments, said that this tax should be abolished. but with temporary clawback to remain, with nationalised indus-tries for one year and central and local government for perhaps two

The provision should be repealed so that employers considering taking on additional people, especially young people, at the present time, would know that threat of being taxed on providing jobs would have wholly disappeared.

MPs want garrison retained

BELIZE

Mr Cranley Onslow, Minister of Stater for Forein and Common-wealth Affairs, was several times criticized by Mr Denis Healey, criticized by Mr Denis Healey, chief Opposition spokesman on foreign affairs, for refusing to say specifically that there would be no question of withdrawing British forces protecting Belize until it was clear that there was no current military threat from no current military threat from Guatamaia, Mr Onslow was also

pressed for an answer from the Conservaive backbenches.
The first time Mr Healey sought the assurance during questions on foreign and commonwealth affairs, Mr Onslow replied: The present heightened tension in the hemisphere because of the Falklands crisis will be carefully considered by the British Government in any lecision on the presence of the

garrison. Mr Healey: That is totally unsatisfactory. I asked a specific uestion. Refusal to answer or an attempt to evade the question will have the most damaging conse-quences for stability in the area. will be give an assurance that the Government will not with-draw the forces presently committed to the defence of Belize until everyone is satisfied that there is no further threat from the Covernment of Guatemals? the Government of Guatemala? Mr Onslow, amid interruptions repeated an answer he gave earlier to Mr Robert Atkins

(Preston, North, C) that no date

He added: The factors Mr Healey mentions are obviously most relevant to any decision we shall take.

Six Frederic Bennett (Torbay, C):
It is relevant in the context of
events in the Falklands that
immediately agter the invasion
there Guatemala stepped up its
very articulate demands for
gaining Belize.
I ask not so much if Mr Onslow
is prepared to give a date or not

universal acceptance by the House of the full efforts and determination to make sure that they do not get let down at the last moment. Mr Ouslow: We have no intention to let Belize down and we are watching closely what is being said by the new regime in Guatemala. Mr Healey: I speak for many in

is prepared to give a date or not but that, if British troops do stay there, there will be no lack of

both sides of the House. Many of us feel the Falklands crisis arose because the Government gave a false signal to the Argentine Government, Unless Mr Onslow is able to give a specific answer to my specific question he is in danger of giving another false signal, so I appeal to him again to

There was laughter when M Nichoas Winterton (Macclesfield, C) called out: close that brief. Mr Onslow: Who closed his Red folder, replied: We have no intention of giving false signals even to those who wish to see

them.
Mr Patrick Cormack: (South
West, Suffordshire, C): The only
the house needs is a answer the house needs is a simply one. The word is "Yes." (Cheers) Mr Onslow: I am well aware of the mood of the House. I do not

know why the House does not understand me. (Some laughter and interruptions.) Earlier, Mr Robert Atkins had said: Now more than ever the threat to Belize from Guatemala consideration. The priusin forces in Belize cost a mere £4.4m. They are wanted by the Belize authorities to protect their interests. This should be pursued with vigour. Will be give an assurance that

they will necessary? stay as long as Mr Onslow: The British garrison remains in Belize. No decision has been taken on a date for its has been taken on a gate for its withdrawal.

We hope the new government in Guatemala will in due course open discussions with Belize on the dispute to try to get a



Onslow: No date set for

withdrawal. neaceful solution. But so far the new government has shown no disposition to do so. new government has shown no disposition to do so.

There are no clear indications as to how the new junta will approach the territorial dispute with Belize.

In a later exchange, Sir Bernard Braine (South East Essex, C) said: While agreeing that there should be a tightening of controls, if not a ban, on the export of arms to authoritarian minister give the House the assurance it requires, that if a small democracy like Belize is threatened by such a country we shall stand by them?

State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs. He will have heard the comprehensive answer already given. (Laughter and protests).

Later during exchanges on the Failkland Islands, Mr Healey asked the Foreign Secretary: asked the Foreign Secretary: May I ask a question which many of us found unsatisfactorily answered by Mr Onslow earlier. He was asked by MPs on both sides to give a firm assurance the British forces now committed to the defence of Belize will not be withdrawn until the threat from outside is seen to be removed.

Outside is seen to be removed. If he could give us that assurance now, it would do much to allay fears that our behaviour may be interpreted by the Government of Guatemala in the

Mr Francis Pvm replied: As to Belize I simply say that we have no plans at present, of course, to absolutely assured that the countries he has in mind in relation to neighbouring states are prime considerations in HM Government's mind in considering what we do about our forces there.

Parliament today Commons (2.30). Questions: Agriculture: Prime Minister. Debate on economic and employment prospects in Wales. Lords (3): Epsom and Walton Downs Regulations Bill, second reading. Administration of Justice Bill, report, second day. Debate on state and to excitate and to experient. export of arms to authoritarian report, second day. I resimes, particularly those with state aid to agriculture.

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New GLC

post to help

women

for the newly-created f17,000-a-year post of women's opportunities adviser (David Walker writes). It is beleived to be the first such job offered by any employer.

employer.

The job is the latest of a number of senior and well-paid posts announced by the

Labour administration. The official will be expected to

official will be expected to take "significant new initiatives aimed at eradicating unfair discrimination in employment".

At the annual meeting of the Labour group of council-lors last month it was decided to create a womans's com-

mittee, which would review GLC jobs to find out if

enough women were em-ployed at various grades. Its chairman or "chair", in GLC parlance, is to be Miss Valerie Wise, a noted left

Greater London Council is seeking applicants

New rules on tape recording in Police Bill

New rules covering tape of stolen goods or prohibited articles like firarms or drugs stop and search will be included in a Police Bill being prepared by the Government for introduction the Automa.

On the Stolen goods or prohibited articles like firarms or drugs should be available throughout England and Wales. Searching of vehicles would be on the same footing.

The commission also recin the Autumn.

For the first time since the olice were formed, the Bill is expected to introduce codes governing every aspect of the relationship between the police and people who might come into contact with them in a criminal matter

Greater independent over-sight of the handling of complaints against the police will be an important proposal in the Bill. But there is likely to be no provision to give statutory backing to consultations between police and the community, as Lord Scarman wants.

His plea last weekend for his recommendations, made in the report on the Brixton riots, to be introduced as a package is unlikely to be heeded.

Ministers are to decide on the mix of proposals in the Bill this month so they can be drawn up for inclusion in the Queen's Speech in the

The Bill will broadly endorse the main thrust of proposals 18 months ago by the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure, which was the first comprehensive review of its kind for a century.

The Government has accepted the principle of tape recording evidence given to the police during interviews, but has been waiting to see the outcome of a limited experiment in Scotland, which has now been extended to Glasgow and Aberdeen.

What is in the Bill will depend upon experience the subject yesterday and there. Ministers say there is plans to report at about the so far no general indication end of the month. that the principle of tape recording of police questioning is proving impracticable. The royal commission recommended its gradual intro-duction, to be used in indictable cases for the making and reading back of the summary of interview of a written statement.

along with the commission's be Sir Cyril Phillips, who recommendations that pow-chaired the Royal Comers to stop and search mission and is now chairman persons on reasonable sus- of the Police Complaints picion of being in possession Board.

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The commission also rec ommended that the stopping of a person or vehicle should always be recorded with reasons given for the action and copies available for the person stopped. The principle is likely to be adopted in the Bill.

One curious gap in the present law is that there is no provision for police to obtain a warrant to search a house for the body of a murder victim. The Bill will make

police will be balanced in the Bill by safeguards to protect suspects in detention and under interrogation. The basis of the Bill will be that there should be no duty on a suspect, to answer questions and no modification of the why make the distinction?"

The strength of the balanced in the entitled to be High Court judges, whether they have been solicitors or not.

"Once someone is appointed a circuit judge, he or she is technically neither a suspect, to answer questions and no modification of the why make the distinction?" right of silence.

Judges' Rules and the present administrative directions to the police will be replaced by legislation. Ministers are considering how far to go in excluding evidence obtained in breach of the new code of practice for regulating interviews, which would replace Judges Rules. Ministers think exclusionary rule should be

The second part of the Bill is likely to contain proposals for an independent assessor to be appointed as an added check on the the investigation of complaints against the police. Home Office thinking is that there is not pendent investigation system, but will take into account the views of the Home Affairs Select Committee, which finished taking evidence on the subject yesterday and

... If, as expected, and assessor is recommended, deputies appointed in the provinces could help to provide closer liaison with local police Authorities and the Inspectorate of Constabulary to allow greater over sight of police work.

. The most likely candidate The Bill is expected to go for the job of assessor would

Lawyers press for change on judges

By Frances Gibb By Frances Gibb

The Law Society is pressing the Government to remove the present block on circuit judges who were originally solicitors being appointed to sit as High Court judges. At present only former barristers can be appointed.

It is intending to put down.

It is intending to put down an amendment to the Admin-istration of Justice Bill which shortly starts its passage through the Cmmons; the second time in the past 18 months that the society has tried to change the law on this point. this point.

Mr Graham Lee, secretary, professional and public re-lations at the Law Society, said: "We are not saying solicitors should be High wictim, the balt with make one.

Wider powers for the police will be balanced in the Bill by safeguards to protect

Mr David Edwards, another official at the Law Society, said it was illogical that circuit judges could be appointed to sit as High Court judges, if they were good enough, but not if they

had been solicitors.

The Law Society's last attempt to change the law was during the passage of the Supreme Court Bill through the Lords. The amendment was opposed by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone,

An official from the Solicitor General's office indicated yesterday that the Govern-ment's position remained unchanged, and therefore the Law Society will depend for enough public concern to the sucess of its amendment warrant a completely indesupport it can muster. Opposing the amendment

proposed to the Suprem Court Bill, in March 1981, Lord Hailsham said practice in the High Court, depended on knowledge of the complex High Court practice. "I cannot see the smallest possibility of appointing to the High Court bench anybody who had not got, not 10, but probably more like 20 or 25 years oversioned of High 25, years experience of High Court practice, both pleading and advocacy, and in the present situation that means

members of the Bar. If a solicitor felt his role was in advocacy he should follow the path taken by Lord Widgery, the former Lord Chief Justice, and change over to the Bar, he

Police in Toxteth riot case cleared

Two Merseyside police officers will be back on duty today after being cleared yesterday of the manslaughter of a partially disabled man during last summer's Toxteth riots.

A jury at Mold Crown Court found Sergeant Keith Wilkinson, aged 34, of Buttermere Close, Maghull, not guilty on the direction of the judge before any defence evidence was called. Constable James Keenan, aged 30, of Grasmere Avenue, Prescot, was found not guilty on an unanimous verdict, it on an unanimous verdict. It was the ninth day of the trial.

In a statement read by Mr Kevin Dooley, a Liverpool solicitor, after they had left the court, both officers expressed their condolences to the dead man's family "and their relief that they have been vindicated by the unanimous verdict of the jury of any criminal re-sponsibility". They said they would "now like to return to the privacy of their families and are looking forward to returning to their normal duties"

Mr David Moore, aged 23, of Wavertree, Liverpool, a partially disabled man was hit by a police van driven by Constable Keenan. The police support unit in the vehicle was commanded by Sergeant

withdrawn from the jury, the judge ruled yesterday that there was no evidence against Sergeant Wilkinson that he had committed the offence. The judge said the sergeant had not controlled or participated in the driving. Wilkinson. Solicitors for the dead man's family said later that they would be making a civil claim for damages against the

The court had been told that the van had been driven over wasteland in Toxteth on a night of violence to disperse rioters throwing petrol bombs and missiles at

After two days of submissions by Mr George Carman, OCfor Constable Keenan and Mr John Hazan, QC for Sergeant Wilkinson, that the case should be

say so. Manslaughter cannot be proved unless keenan showed such disregard for life and safety as to amount to criminal conduct.

"This requires proof of very high degree of negligence going beyond carelessness and dangerous driving".

rected to return a not guilty verdict against the sergeant, the judge said he had not taken the same course in In the case of a police officer beginning his manoeuvre for the preven-tion of crime he had a Constable Keenan's case because the weight of evimeasure of statutory protection; dispersing rioters car-ried an element of risk. The crown had to show that dence relating to him was a matter for the jury and not himself. There had been Constable Keenan went outconflict between witnesses. side a lawful operation.

rioter or associated with rioters? If so what is the duty of care of a driver carrying out lawful manoeuvre of dispersing rioters? Has the Crown proved that Keenan went beyond the protection of the Act, that what he did was unreasonable and not necessary in the prevention of crime?"

After a 30 minutes adjournment the jury returned with a not guilty verdict and judge and counsel paid tribute to the "enormous thoroughness" of the investigation. Police interviewed 1,400 people including 1,200 police officers and 231 offic-The judge told them: "If at any stage you desire to say that the defendant Keenan is not guilty you are entitled to David Moore have been a portant case.

'Sun' journalists get 9.8pc rise Journalists at The Sun who had been in mandatory union meetings for the past week, yesterday returned to normal

winger.

working after agreeing a pay and conditions package worth 9.8 per cent. The deal includes a 5 per cent increase in salaries from April 1, a £500 productivity payment and a payment of £310 plus £13 as partial consolidation of a media allowance. There are improvements to holiday and other benefits. The new minimum salary is increased to £14,600, according to the National Union of Journal-

Railway death

Franck Piron, sged 14, a French schoolboy was killed by a train at Wimbledon, south London, when he tried to walk home along a railway line, thinking he had missed the last train. An indust at the last train. An inquest at Westminster yesterday re-corded a verdict of accidental

Bishop's miles

The Bishop of Hereford, the Right Rev John Eastaugh, aged 62, set off yesterday on a 200-mile pilgrimage on foot through his diocese to mark the 700th anniversary of the death of St Thomas Cantilupe.

Teachers' 6 pc

Teachers in Scotland were yesterday awarded a 6 per cent increase, backdated to April, by the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration



Sergeant Keith Wilkinson (left) and Police Constable James Keenan leaving Mold Crown court yesterday after they had been cleared of the manslaughter of Mr David Moore.

Cheap TV licences may break rules

Local authorities operating cheap television licence schemes for pensioners were given a warning yesterday that they could be flouting the regulations governing that concession, which is enjoyed by an estimated 480,000 pensioners.

The warning comes in the wake of a letter sent last week to 8,000 South Tyneside pensioners who bought 5p television licences, through a misinterpretation of the law by the local borough council. The National Television Li-cence Records Office, which sent the letter, said yester-

day: "As a result of this we will be looking at other authorities". A spokesman said: "The

Before the jury was di-

original idea was to cover institutionalized accommodation. On South Tyneside, the people who benefited were not living in accommodation specially provided for dation specially provided for old people." It was also being claimed

yesterday that some local election candidates were promising concessionary licences without fully understanding the regulations. It was in 1969 that Mr John

Stonehouse, the postmastergeneral, introduced a dual

system for licensing tele that as qualifying them as vision sets used by old living in "sheltered" accompeople. If they had their own modation, which it did not private set in a room in an The BBC estimates a old people's home or in housing provided by a local authority under the super-vision of an area warden, the fee was only 5p, then one Licence Charges and Exemp-shilling. (In 1969 a colour tion) Regulations, 1970. The

regulations by appointing association with other accom-young people to visit old modation or facilities intendtimes a year. They regarded the occupants".

Under the Wireless Tele graphy (Broadcasting tion) Regulations, 1970, The licence cost £11).

Subsequent attempts by some authorities to extend the scheme have run into trouble. The records office said some tried to evade the regulations by approximate a speciation with other case. people in their homes four ed for the common use of all

revenue loss to them on South Tyneside of £600,000.

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has to break the bank) AUSTINE

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BMA backs call | Legal win for Gilbert to reduce lead pollution

By Our Medical Correspondent

the British Medical Associ- due to the severe shortage of

ation (BMA) yesterday.

The report, by the BMA's Science and education board, will lend considerable supditions in corridors, huts and converted lavatories, which the campaign to the campaign to the converted lavatories, which they is submitted to the Royal 25,000 patients whom they Commission of Environmen see each year. tal Pollution.

than previously thought money is needed to convert harmful and emphasizes that and equip the centre, these reports should not be ignored.

Solution:

1. The second of the convert should not be ignored.

The new report says that as there is a high degree of individual susceptibility to damage by lead there is a cancer patients with myeloblastic leukaemia. The depart-

particular urgent measures should be taken to reduce the amount from sources which might affect women of reproductive age, infants and children.

The scientific board has quoted in the report from the preliminary findings of an experiment in Turin, commissioned by the EEC and a United States Government agency. By using lead with a distinctive isotope in petrol, it has been possible to show that a third of the blood lead

level derives from petrol.

After the meeting a BMA spokesman said: "Lead is a biological poison. If the opportunity arises to reduce the concentration by a third the conclusion about what should be done should be obvious to everybody; particularly as it is an accumu-lative poison, which is only very slowly rid from the

body.
"It has a half-life measured in a considerable number of years so that by the time we reach adult life it is already too late to excrete all the lead accumulated in childhood."

Hospital appeal ☐ The overcrowded and unsafe working conditions in which research is being carried out at St Bartholomew's Hospital in London has prompted the hospital to launch an urgent public appeal for money (Felicity)

leaders call

By Paul Routledge

Labour Editor

Dock union leaders yester-

day decided by a narrow majority to suspend the

national port strike due to

begin on Monday over the extension of the industry's

The Transport and General

Workers' Docks and Water-

ways Committee voted to put off industrial action to allow

time for testing the Govern-

Scheme.

Employment

dent writes).

ment's intentions on bringing

to a national docks delegate

conference tomorrow that the proposed strike involving

24,000 dock workers should be suspended while proposals are prepared for the Depart-

ment of Employment.
Mr David Waddington,

retary, said in a letter to the TGWU that the Government

ation to detailed proposals on the extension of the labour

scheme to individual ports

where employers and workers

wanted it.

☐ Farm workers could rely
on the full support of

Britain's largest union, the Transport and General Work-ers, in future disputes with

employers, Mr Mortyn Evans, the TGWU general

secretary, said yesterday (Our Agriculture Correspon-

At a press conference after the merger of the former National Union of Agricul-

tural and Allied Workers with the TGWU, Mr Evans

made it clear that the

localized nature of many

agricultural disputes would not inhibit the union giving

'considerable assistance' to

members in difficulty.

Under-Sec-

unique job security system.

off strike

A report on lead pollution cause and treatment of which says it is scientifically childhood and adult cancers, mpossible to set a level at which lead is harmful to individuals was unanimously approved by the council of for some time been at risk the British Medical Accordance of the council of the British Medical Accordance of the council of the British Medical Accordance of the council of the council of the British Medical Accordance of the council of the c

The hospital has raised The BMA now accepts that already the £3m from its studies are showing mental impairement in children occurring at lead levels lower departments. But more to house the 18 clinical departments. But more money is needed to convert

damage by lead there is a cancer patients with myelob-lead in the environment should be reduced and that in particular urgent measures.

Shared training

A working party has recommended that some of the training of nurses and social workers who provide care for the mentally bandicapped should be shared. It has not, as was hoped in some quarters, come out in favour of a single form of training.
The working party, com-

posed of representatives from the three United Kingdom nursing councils and the Central Council for Edu-cation and Training in Social Work, has agreed a plan of action intended to form the basis for cooperation and shared training. It is pro-posed that students for the registration as a nurse for mentally handicapped people (RNMS) and the Certificate in Social Service (CSS) would join together for theoretical and practical learning where the position of training centres made it feasible.

In Cooperation in Training, the working group says: "By learning together for part of their courses, students will cultivate the mutual respect and understanding necessary for closer cooperation between health and social services in promoting improved services for mentally

handicapped people."

A completely new form of appeal for money (Felicity combined training, however, Jones writes).

The patient-orientated research work, which includes investigation into the completely new form of completely new form of completely new form of completely new form of working, however, has been ruled out. The working group saw this as a chief threat to the identity of the chief two professions.

Dock union £15,120 for Antoinette's tender notes By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent Documentation of the efforts of Count Hans Axel von Fersen to protect and rescue at Christie's yesterday for £15,120 (estimate £15,000-

£20,000). Fersen was the queen's most faithful ally and confidant; whether there was a closer relationship remains unresolved but the tender up to 80 ports into the National Dock Labour tone of this correspondence

suggests it.
The documentation in By an undisclosed, but small majority, the com-mittee agreed to recommend cludes autograph letters from the queen to Fersen from the Tuileries written in 1791 and 1792, and transcripts of other letters, mostly in Fersen's hand, and many letters from

Fersen to the Queen, There is theoriginal bill for the coach, a Berline, in which the queen escaped to Barennes in June, 1791, made Baronne de Korff.

The top price at Christie's sale of autograph letters, documents and manuscripts was secured by a Sherlock Holmes short story, The Greek Interpreter, at £15,660 (estimate £12,000-£15,000) to Quaritch.

important political An important political archive from the first decades of the Greek Republic (1820-60), comprising the personal papers of Pericles Argyropoulos and Konstan-tine Schines, some 1,600 pages, went to a London dealer for a Greek client at £12,420 (estimate £8,000-

£10,000). A delightful unpublished story written and illustrated by Edward Lear for Lady Susan Percy, starring Lear himself losing his hat on a windy day made £2,160 (estimate £1,200-£1,500) to John mate £1,200-£1,500) to John F. Fleming, the New York dealer.

the aged and chronic sick.

recently widowed women with children.

with grants for teaching and training young people.

do this and other

Professional Classes Aid Council, 10 St. Christopher's Place, London, W.1.

O'Sullivan

Gilbert O'Sullivan the pop singer won his case in the High Court yesterday for a fair share of the millions of pounds made by his records. He had been exploited by Mr Gordon Mills, his former manager, Mr Justice Mars-Jones said. He awarded Mr O'Sullivan copyright of his songs and the master tapes of his records together with his records, together with costs unofficially extimated at £100,000.

Between 1970 and 1978. five Gilbert O'Sullivan single and seven long-playing reand seven long-playing records grossed an estimated
£14.5m, from which Mr
O'Sullivan received only
about £500,000 before tax.
The judge set aside agreements made between Mr
O'Sullivan and Mr Mills and
his company Management

his company, Management Agency and Music Ltd., as they were "an unreasonable restraint of trade".

Changes in seats proposed

The Cardiff parliamentary constituency held by Mr James Callaghan, the former Prime Minister, will disappear if recommendations published by the Boundary Commission for Wales today are accepted. are accepted

are accepted.
The Cardiff seats including those held by Mr Callaghan and Mr George Thomas the Speaker of the House of Commons, along with Barry and Pontypridd, would be replaced by four new Cardiff seats and a country the western ency covering the western part of South Glamorgan.

Embassy hearing

The owners of a building at Princes Gate, South Kensington, London, formerly occupied by the Iranian embassy were due to appear before magistrates yesterday be-cause of thir refusal to repair the structure, but they did not attend and the hearing was adjourned until May 19 at Bow Street Magistrates

Back in print

Machine room workers at the Eric Bemrose printing works, Liverpool, have re-sumed normal working, pending a meeting about their pay dispute on Monday. An unofficial strike by 168 men last week halted pro-duction of The Sunday Tele-graph and News of the World

Benefit ruling

A teacher who voluntarily took advantage of an early retirement scheme was not entitled to unemployment benefit for the first six weeks after leaving his job, the Court of Appeal in London held yesterday. Permission to appeal to the House of Lords was refused. Law report, page 29

BR bargains

From May 17 British Rail is to run an all first-class overnight train in each direction between London Queen Maria Antoinette form and Scotland with single the hands of the revolution- fares starting at £12 — one aries was bought by the third of the ordinary first French Archives Nationales class single fare. This is to at Christie's yesterday for win back passengers lost to coach travel.

Inquiry sought

William-Homeward Labour MP for Kettering, yesterday called for an inquiry into the safety record at the British Steel Corpor-ation plant at Corby, Northamptonshire, where three demolition workers have been killed in the last 15

Funerals halted

the finances of the railway and associated operations-Crematorium staff in Liverpool voted yesterday to join the strike by the city's gravediggers from May 17. They said they will honour funerals up to date, but are 20 years". Mr Howell wants a not taking new bookings.

Falklands dominates voting today

Millions of voters in England and Scotland go to the polls today in council elections dominated by events 8,000 miles away in the South Atlantic.

Having totally over-shadowed the political cam-paigning which has preceded the poll, the Falklands crisis looks set to play a significant role in deciding the political make-up of many of the 183 authorities where voting takes place.

Opinion polls have indi-Opinion polls have indicated a considerable strengthening in Conservative support, coinciding with the Falklands issue, but yesterday party managers were uncertain what effect the destruction of HMS Sheffield and a Sea Harrier would have on voters' intentions.

In London and the Home Counties in particular, Britain's dispute with Argentina appears to be uppermost in electors' mind, rather than local issues, and the outcome of the contests will be seen in unpopularity, have fought a deliberately low-key cam-paign and had feared heavy losses until the recent revival some quarters as a public verdict on the Government's handling of the crisis.

third of sitting members are third of sitting members are up for election, but there are "all out" fights in London's 32 boroughs, nine Scottish the patriotic fervour will be regional councils and 10 to their advantage.

BR review

chairman

is chosen

By John Winder Sir David Serpell, a retired

top civil servant and a present member of British Rail board is to head an

independent committee to review British Rail's financ-

Mr David Howell, Seretary

of State for Transport, an-

the necessary position of

Sir David retired as Perma-

nent Secretary to the Depart-ment of Environment in 1972.

Before that he held a similar

position at the Department of Transport.

Other members of the review committee will be Mr

P. J. Butler, a senior partner of Peat, Marwick Mitchell and Co, who had already received a commission from

Mr Howell on the 1982 rail budget; Mr Alfred Goldstein,

a consulting engineer and Mr Leslie Bond, a director of the

The inquiry will "examine

Rank Organisation.

total independence".

Uneasy anniversary

Year after Sands death Maze protests continue

Luxury lavatory: People queueing outside Britain's first Automatic Public Toilet in Leicester Square, London.

when it opened yesterday. The lavatory, for men and women, is open 24 hours a day and costs 10p to use. It is the first of three of similar design to be sited in the West End for a six-month experiment.

By Richard Evans and David Walker

Conservative?"

In normal circumstances Labour would be looking to

take advantage of the cus-

tomary mid-term slump in support for a Conservative

government and regain con-

trol in authorities lost last

time, as well as making gains elsewhere. The party is likely

LOCAL

ELECTIONS

metropolitan districts, in-cluding Manchester and Birmingham.

The Social Democratic-Liberal Alliance is fielding

Liberal Alliance is fielding candidates in nearly all the 4,800 seats being contested and their participation had peomised, until international events intervened, to make those elections the most fascinating for decades. The alliance, fighting its first nationwide campaign, has suffered more from the lack of press attention given to

of press attention given to

the elections than its estab-lished political opponents, and in several areas sanguine

predictions by SDP activists have been whittied down to

seats". The Conservatives, defend-

ing gains made four years ago at a time of acute Labour

hopes of gaining a

Mrs

nouncing the review in the Commons, said that British Rail had agreed to relaese Sir can movement, mainly the Provisional IRA. Yesterday's first anniver-sary of Sand's death was marked, uncharacteristically, David from his present duties to undertake the task from by a call in the Republican Irish News by the Belfast brigade of the IRA to the

city's youth not to be provoked into conflict with the security forces and a plea that there should be no rioting.

The night before, only three petrol bombs had been thrown in Catholic west Belfast and yesterday there was a small ceremony outside Sand's former home on the

Twinbrook Estate. A silent "black flag march" by republicans was also planned to pass the spot where an estimated 50,000 people gathered a year ago to mark the death of Sands, who had become a Westand associated operations—with had become a westindesigned to secure improved financial results in an
efficiently run railway in
die before the fast collapsed
Great Britain over the next
last October.

A year after Robert Sands died on the 65th day of his hunger strike in the Maze Government has always con- Ireland, more than 200 republican prisoners are still protesting over the "five demands" that led to a monumental battle of wills between Mrs Thatcher's strike into world beadlines Thatcher's strike into world headlines over several months, are a government and the republithing of the past.

The republican movement says that 260 to 270 are still protesting about four of the five demands which were never granted: free association, no prison work, segre-gation from other prisoners and specific demands about the receipt of parcels from families and full visits from

outside. The hunger strike which initially became a potent weapon in the hands of the Provisional IRA led to only one of the demands being granted; the right of prisoners to wear their own

Eleven members of the security forces have died this year, the last this week when an RUC constable was shot dead and an unarmed woman constable seriously injured in Londonderry.

The police and the Army prepared last night to cope with any rioting or more serious incidents which could According to the Northern have been expected on the Ireland Office, 220 republican anniversary of Sands's death. have been expected on the

to do better in the north of England and Scotland, where the effects of unemployment have been particularly harsh. Today's contests involve five million voters in London, nearly four million in Scot-land and several million more in a mixture of districts scattered throughout Eng

Manchester looks certain to remain in Labour hands but Tory officials in the West Midlands said yesterday that its law and order campaing in Birmingham should, together with the Falkalands factor, allow Conservatives to take control of the city.

☐ Voters in Wandsworth, south-west London, go to the polls with their rates uncol-lected, their bins only partly

Mr Michail Heseltine, Sec- emptied and unable to con-etary of State for the tact the town hall to com-nvironment, dealt a final plain because its telephone mr Michail Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, dealt a final campaign blow yesterday when, summing up his party's message, he said: "Can you afford not to yote operators are on strike.

A dispute between the Conservative-controlled council and refuse collection workers which began two weeks ago over the council's intention to invite tenders from private firms for refuse collection, has widened into what the National and Local Government Officers' Association resterday called chaos. Mr Christopher Chope, the council leader, called the strike a political act".

Five Conservative members of the Greater London Council were yesterday nominated to succeed Sir Horace Cutter as leader of the party at County Hall in opposition to Me Kenneth Livingstone. to Mr Kenneth Livingstone, the Eabour leader of the council. They are: Mr Richard Brew, the deputy Tory leader, and Mr Alau Greengross, the party's transport expert, Mr Peter Black, Mr Cyril Taylor and Mr Robert Vigars.

Correction

The total of Scottish National Party candidates for Scottish regional councils, given as 1,309 on May 3 should have been 269.

Longer airport inquiry

By Hugh Clayton Environment correspondent

The Government an-nounced yesterday that the nounced yesterday that the nounced yesterday that the final stage of the public belongs to it for human reasons nor in order to reasons that so far the dialogue between the two churches not looked at the issue of the public property of the p of the proceedings since they began six months ago, and exceeded estimates by observers that the sessions would be finished by Christians.

The Department of the Environment announced yesterday that examination of the case for building a fifth returnal at Heathrow airconfigurally probably begin fifth perminal at Heathrow airport would probably begin in mis January at a hotel overloading the runways. It is unlikely that Mr Graham Eyre Ok, the inquiry inspector, will make a recommendation of ministers before the next general election campaign is in full swing.

Most of this year will be taken in by the rest of the

taken in by the rest of the British Airports Authority's case for turning Stansted airport in Essex into the third airport. But Mr Eyre is also to consider the case for building the airport at Maplin

The inquiry will also be halted for a few days to make room for a short separate inquiry into the fate of a medieval most near the present Stansted Tunway.

ohe international com-mission, both praising and criticizing it and recommend-ing that the process of doctrinal discussion between the two communions should be continued and widened to embrace moral issues. . The report, the result of 11 years of study by theologians from both traditions into the principal areas of disagree-

Vatican

to 'unity'

report

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Corr

The Vatican has issued a

long reply to the final report of the Anglican-Roman Cath-

olic International Com-

replies

ment, gave sufficient grounds for thinking that the exercise will be fruitful, the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith states in a document published

today.

It identifies some "negative aspects" of the report, however, and claims that, from an official Roman Catholic point of view, some of its propositions are inadequate, ambiguous, or other-wise questionable. The con-gregation has subjected the report to a close and detailed analysis, and some of its observations are in a conservative spirit.

The report, nevertheless, marks a "singular event" in the history of the relations between the two communions, and constitutes "a possible effort towards reconstitutes" notable effort towards reconciliation".

The congregation says that its comments are offered not as a final word, but as a contribution to the dis-cussion within each church. The report, and the observations on it, is now being circulated to bishops' conference throughout the world for comment, and the Vatican's Secretariat for Christian Unity will coordinate the replies

replies.
The most serious criticism is probably the congregation's treatment of the passages on papal privacy and infallibility, where it appears to find the common ground expressed in the report inadequate.

The international com-mission had suggested a way round the traditional Anglican objection to Roman Catholic teaching on the papacy, by arguing that it had evolved as a historical necessity to preserve the unity of the church.

The congregation con-fronts this with the words of the First Vatican Council that "the apostle Peter received immediately and directly from Jesus Christ Our Lord a true and proper primacy of jurisdiction." which is the source of the authority now possessed by St Peter's successor. The power of jurisdiction belonging to the Pope "is intrinsic to this office, not something which belongs to it for human reasons nor in order to has not looked at the issue of the ordination of women, recalling not only that in 1976 a Vatican declaration stated the it was not possible. but also that certain parts of the Anglican communion

now had woman priests.
It also repeats the traditional Roman Catholic position that the church's of-ficial teaching, the magis-terium, applies not only to fundamentals of doctrine but to all aspects of faith and morals. That appears to widen the future scope of unity talks.

A particular ambiguity to which the congregation draws attention is the report's use of the word "substantial" in describing the degree of agreement that had been reached. The word has a different meaning in everyday English from that found in theology, it states. and in the latter sense the congregation doubts that it is applicable. The final report "does not constitute a sub-stantial and explicit agree-ment on some essential elements."

Farmers fear a return to the wilderness

Agriculture Correspondent Stoke St Gregory

"Not so long ago a farmer could be evicted for not doing his job properly", Mr Dick House (right) recalls. Now it seems they want to penalize us for doing it too

"We are being asked to become bad farmers", he claims, gesturing towards the flat pasture on which his family have kept cattle for generations. "If they have their way, I can see this area reverting within five years to what it used to be, nothing

"They" in this case are the Nature Conservancy Council which recently announced its intention to designate 2,500 acres of West Sedgemoor, part of the so called Some set Levels, as a site of special scientific interest (SSSI).

It was a bold step and one which will provide a search-ing test of whether the Wildlife and Countryside Act, derided by conservationists as too feeble and by farmers as impracticable, can be made to work.

The farmers attected are bewildered and resentful. Mr buyer.

bewildered and resentful. Mr buyer.

The council maintains that Bert Betty, who was the first farmer to drain land on West the low lying peat moor is Sedgemoor, at the suggestion not only an important bird



policy is being reversed. Of the 134 acres which he farms, 118 lie within the sed SSSL If he is forced to refrain from what the council calls "damaging operations" such as drainage, ploughing, spreading manure and the use of chemicals, he thinks the farm

will fall in value by half and that it will be hard to find a

and insects, which would be threatened by conversion to grassland or, worse still, to arable fields. The farmers claim that

only small areas of the moor are important in terms of wildlife and that the council's proposals constitute "over-

Mr Brian Rowe (left), chairman of the Somerset and South Avon branch of the National Farmers' Union, claims that at least one farmer has become seriously

scheme and for the deadline for objections to be extended beyond the end of nex month. The Government is not due

until next winter to publish its guidelines for compensation to farmers who are not allowed to make the mos economical use of their land he says. He also wants the council to clarify exactly what it means when it says the status quo will not be affected by its proposals, and assurances that farmers will of the Ministry of Agriculsanctuary but also a refuge ill from worry. He is pressing not be forced to abandon
ture, cannot believe that the for increasingly rare plants for a postponement of the existing drainage schemes.

Huntsmen confident council ban will fail

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

of the British Field Sports Society, has taken legal advice about the proposed

The motion to be proposedcouncil in Cardiff is one of many similar attempts to ban the hunting of prey with hounds on rural land owned by councils. Similar motions have succeeded in East Sus-sex and Berkshire and falled in Leicestershire and the Waverley District in Surrey.

South Glamorgan is one of many councils where all rural land owned by the authority is devided into rented farms on which sporting rights are assigned to tenants. The only way of enforcing a vote for a ban is to wait until a tenancy ends and write an agreement for the new tenant which reserves sporting rights to the council as landlord.

The Cardiff vote will mark the start of the most concerted campaign yet by opponents of hinting

Supporters of hunting be-lieve it will be impossible for South Gamorgan Coucil to enforce a ban on foxhounds, enrorce a ban on foxhounds, even if its members vote for one today. Mr Anthony Martyn master of the Glamorgan Huni and chairman of the local action committee votes on a ban next week. The motion at Humberside

which will put pressure on The motion to be proposed tenants who farm the coun-by a Labour member of the cil's 9,000 acres to enforce a ban. South Glamorgan owns about 3,000 acres, of which about 500 are hunted by the Glaniorgan foxhounds and the South Wales Bassets. ☐ The Co-operative Whole-

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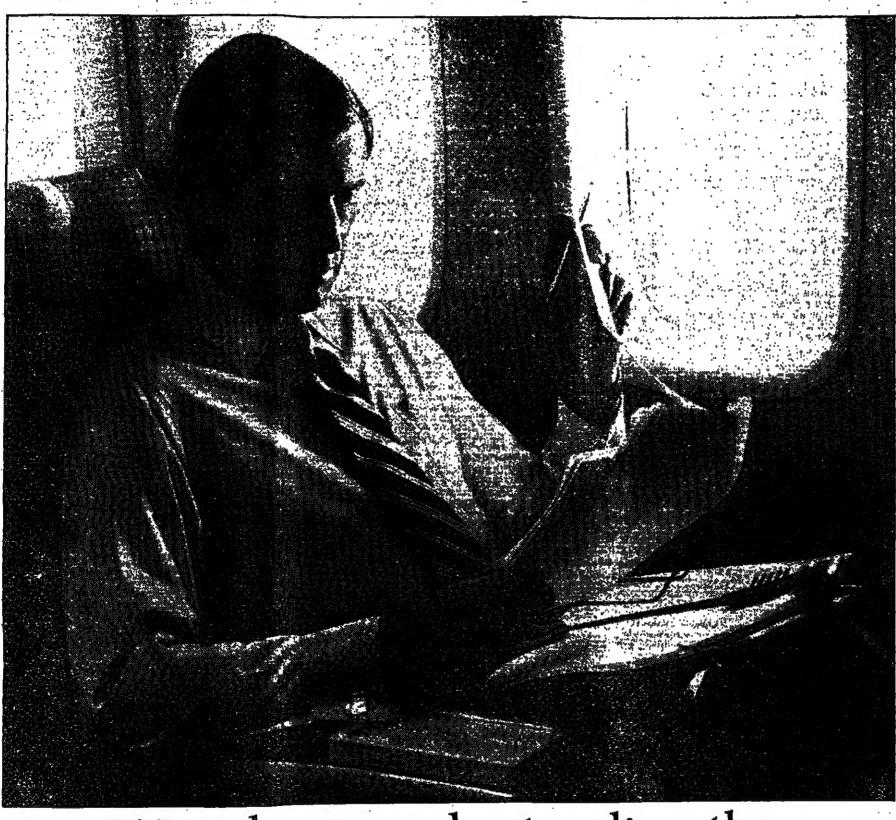
is to be worded in a way

sale Society yesterday de-fended its decision to ban hunting on its 14 farms and estates around Britain, covering 38,000 acres, the largest private holding in farmland in the country (Derek Harris, Commercial Editor, writes).

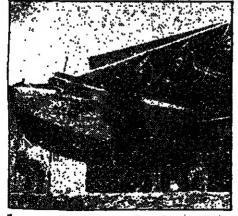
"there has been much unfair criticism, such as suggestions that the decision resulted from extreme leftwing agitation", said Mr Dennis Landau chief execu-tive of the CWS. "It is nothing of the sort. The CWS board has simply acted democratically"

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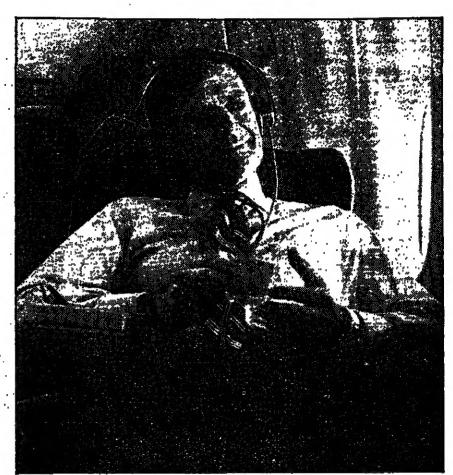
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rounds in Gaza defended

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv, May 5

The toll of violent deaths in the occupied West Bank continues to mount. Four Arab teenagers were killed last night in a mysterious explosion in a gully near lenin, while a 14-year-old girl died today in a Jerusalem hospital after being shot in the head on Sunday, apparently by an Israeli civilian.

An army officer in the

demonstrations were higher in the past month and a half than in the previous 15 years of Israeli occupation — nine Arabs and two Israelis killed and 30 soldiers, 19 Arabs, 16 Israeli civilians and four foreigners injired. Today's toll is not included.

In Jerusalem today, Labour Party deputies criticised Lieutenant General Rafael Fitan, the chief of staff for the use of live ammunition against demonstrators. He replied that this was done only as a last resort after warning shots, tear gas and rubber bullets failed.

Critics said it was curious that bullets aimed.

rubber bullets failed.
Critics said it was curious that bullets aimed at people's legs should have killed them. They said civil disobedience had escalated since the Israelis installed a civil administration on November I to replace the military. The general claimed the unrest was provoked by agents from abroad on orders from the PLO in Beirut and Damascus. Military sources said the cause of the blast that killed four Arabs in Yabad near Jenin was being investigated. Arab villagers said the area

Arab villagers said the area had been a Jordanian mine field. Israeli Army investigators searched the homes of the victims and summoned

families for interrogation.

Tension rose in Nablus where Israeli troops set up a position on the roof of a soap factory owned by the prominent Toukan family. Local residents said they counted 500 sandbags raised to the

Mr Sharon, the Defence Minister, visited the position today and worried Arabs suspect it is a nucleus of an Israeli settlement. They said they were reminded of a case in Hebron where troops set in Hebron where troops set up a position on the roof of a building. The building was later turned over to Jewish building. The building was atter turned over to Jewish allitants for settlement.

A member of Mr Sharon's tuff scoffed at the idea. militants for settlement.

"我们就是我有"我"的东西,在1900年, Prisoners of conscience



Indonesia:

Alex Irwan

By Caroline Moorehead A third-year sociology student at the University of Indonesia is in detention in Jarkarta in connexion with a lecture banned by the authorities last September. Mr Alex Irwan, aged 21, was a member of the student

senate of the Social Sciences Faculty which invited the well-known Indonesian writer Pramoedya Ananta Toer (a former political prisoner for 14 years) to give a talk. As the meeting was about to take place, a formal notice demanded that it be cancelled. The student senate

Mr Irwan, together with three other students, was subsequently expelled from the university. During Octo-ber 1981 the four were twice taken into detention and interrogated. The university Rector's expulsion order had stated that he considered that their activities in "arranging the distorted discussion" had "jeopardized his authority and breached established campus discipline".

The Jakarta military command decided nonetheless to release them "unconditionally after they ... proved that their conduct did not obstruct the state consti-tution and ideology". Neither Mr Irwan, nor his three student friends were, how-

ever, reinstated in December he was again arrested. By this time Mr Joesoef Ishak, publisher of Pramoedya's first two novels, written while he was a political prisoner on Buru Island, was also in detention - in connexion with the same banned student meeting. But although Mr Ishak that even before voting began certain purpose behind it." has since been released. Mr yesterday thousands of vot- he said it was difficult to

Use of live | Head of nuclear power project killed by ETA

From Harry Debelius, Madrid, May 5

In its first act of direct, removal of all Madrid conviolent confrontation with the Basque home-rule from the Basque country by Government, the ETA secessionist movement today murdered the chief engineer the Prime Minister to call an of a nuclear nower plant emergency meeting in Mad-

morning when representa- Bilbao and an employee of tives of the home-rule the Iberduero Power An army officer in the Jebilia refugee camp in the Gaza Strip fired live ammunition this morning to break up a demonstration. The military command said shots were fired at the ristory large of the home-rule the Iberduero Power of Government were to sign documents in the regional capital, Vitoria, transferring responsibility for the operation of the nuclear plant from the privately owned the nearly completed plant

Arabs were injured.

Arab sources said six young men and a young woman were hurt.

The independent Israeli newspaper Haaretz claimed today that casualty figures in demonstrations were higher

Four gunmen in a parked car shot dead the engineer, Señor Angel Pascual Mugica as he was driving to work in Bilbao. His 18-year-old son, Inico a student who was Inigo, a student, who was with him in the car, was slightly injured by flying glass.

were fired at the rioters' legs to repel a mob attack on a small military position in the camp. The Israelis said two Arabs were injured.

The timing of the attack on work was virtually made it clear that the ETA has a result of the fatal would continue its clear that the ETA has been as a result of the fatal would continue its campaign. shooting of his predecessor, Senor Jose Maria Ryan, by the ETA on January 29, 1981.

Terrorist opposition to the Lemoniz plant was also expressed over the past few years in the bombing of scores of transformer installations, owned by the Iberduero company, mostly in the Basque region.

A communique issued by the Secretariat of State for Information, after the ministration.

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St Lucia

back in

its groove

Mr Compton is faced with the task of halting St Lucia's economic decline and boost-

ing its crucial tourist and bauana industries. He can expect some American support: his victory will gratify Washington.

Guerrilla dies

Rome. - Giorgio Vale, one

of Italy's most-wanted right wing urban guerrillas, died in hospital after being shot

during a police raid on his Rome hideout. Signor Vale,

aged 21, was suspected of being involved in a string of killings and the Bologna station bombing which killed 85 people.

Six up Everest

climbers, ascending in pairs, had reached the summit of Mount Everest by yesterday.

Valentin Inanov, of Moscow, and Sergei Yefimov of Sverd-

and Sergel Tenmov of Sveru-lovsk and two Ukrainians, Serge; Beeshov, of Kherkov and Mikhail Turkevich, of Donetsk, scaled its 29,000ft peak while Eduard Myslov-sky, (Moscow) and Vladimir Relyberdin (Leningrad) were

Balyberdin (Leningrad) were descending. The Ukrainians,

whose job was to supply food

and oxygen to the latter pair, decided to go to the summit

Kanab, Utah - Sinbad, the

horse used by President Reagan when he hosted the

Western television series

Death Valley Days, is dead—

killed by a bolt of lightning
at the age of 20. Sinbad was
retired from show business

several years ago and spent

his time munching alfalfa and entertaining children.

Doctors stabbed

Last round-up

Katmandu.—Six

Information after the minis-ters' meeting said: "The Government maintains its firm will to continue with the plan drawn up for the Lemoniz nuclear station, and so do the institutions of the Government of Euzkadi (the Basque country), which set up on this day, after the death of Sedor Pascual Mugica, the management corporation for the nuclear power plant.

Peking awaits Bush visit with optimism

takes place at a time when a measure of cautious optimism has been apparant among American and Chinese officials over their relations.

Despite the serious prob-lems associated with the quarrel between Peking and Washington over Taiwan, some of the tension was taken out of the air last month when China did not reduce the level of diplomatic relations because o President

Reagan's sale to Taiwan of military spare parts estimated at \$39m (£21m).

Cnina has continued to call American sales of arms to Taiwan a "time bomb" in relations with the United States. But it is extremely reluctant to reduce relations.

out.
Chinese officials have time and again emphasized that, serious though the dispute over arms sales is, it remains a problem of bilateral relations which is capable of solution.

Mr Bush, a former United States envoy to Peking, failed negotiator. in 1980 when he came on a Mr Han special mission to explain the future Reagan Adminstration's stance over Taiwan. and was rather ignominously Government reshuffle aimed dismissed by the Peking at trimming the country's Since them, bowever, the sprawling bureaucracy (Reu-White House seems to have hecome somewhat more aware of the strength of Chinese feelings on this matter, and has apparently shelved the idea of selling

From David Bonavia, Peking, May 5 The impending visit to avoid the impression that he China by Mr George Bush, is coming to Canossa, falling the American Vice-President, as it does after other visits he

has been making in the Pacific region.

Even if he makes no substantial progress in his talks here, he may be able to persuade America's allies that the situation is well in hand. Japan and the Nato countries have been urging the Americans to remove this lociam in their relations with has been making in the logjam in their relations with China, even though those countries could profit to some extent if Sino-American

The Chinese Government may be able to negotiate a little more flexibly since the recent big reshuffle, which has increased the manoeuvr-ing room of Mr Zhao Ziyang. recard regard to conservative elements in the Communist Party and Army who may be critical of the way the Taiwan issue has been handled.

Mr Zhao is, however, known as a tough and acerbic

☐ Mr Han Nianlong, China's vereran Deputy Foreign Minister, has been removed in the latest stage of the ter reports).

According to the New China news agency, Mr Han, who held the post since 1964, had been replaced a senior Deputy Foreign Minister by tary aircraft to Taiwan.

Mr Bush's current mission
is cosmetically arranged to Liaison Department.

Double voting charges in Indonesian election

From David Watts, Jakarta, May 5

The Government Golkar said that thousands of Golkar Party had a comfortable lead supporters in Medan and tonight as provisional results Jakarta had been issued two from the Indonesian general sets of the forms elections continued to come them to vote twice in from the archipelago and appeared to have won by a narrow margin in the capital. The Jakarta victory is likely to be a controversial if

not pyrrhic success, since it reverses the situation at the last election when the oppo-sition Muslim United Development Party (PPP) won the capital and it runs against the indication of the large, enthusiastic crowds that have

attended Muslim rallies.
The slim 200,000—vote margin for Golkar in an electorate of more than three million was made doubly controversial by PPP alle-gations of electoral malprectice by the Government. Nationally, Golkar had 53 per cent of the vote with 83 per cent of returns in by night-

Early in the count the PPP accused the Government of electoral sleight of hand and Full results are not expected said that they would not till June.
ratify the election results "In 1982 this double voting ratify the election results "In 1982 this double voting officially if there were signals been more widespread nificant disparities between and more numerios than i their own and Government was at the last election in figures. The Government 1977", Mr Lubis said. electoral office said it could "I'm not accusing the

not comment unless there Government of rigging the was an official complaint. vote," said Mr Lubis, "But Mr Nuddin Lubis, deputy the way the results have chairman of the PPP, said come out there seems to be a Irwan and a second student, fers had been issued more predict the emotions of PPP than one polling form, one of followers and warned the mot been.

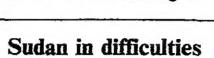
The same time was the same time, have which each elector had to electoral commission that it present before voting. He was "fishing for trouble".

There are two types of electoral form—one for those voting in their own area of residence, and a second form for voters who happen to be travelling a spolling takes place. Some Government supporters, he said, had voted on both forms, something which would not be apparent to PPP observers watching the actual voting. Thousands of PPP voters

meanwhile, had been de-prived of the forms for them to go to the polls. Mr Lubis said The PPP had had complaints not only from Jakarta but from Medan, Pandang, Ujung Pandan and Semerang. Significant numbers

votes would be affected, but it was not possible to say to what extent it might affect the results of the election.

Stockholm. — Two doctors were stabbed to death and four other people scriously wounded when a patient requesting treatment went berserk in the Fruangen medical centre here. A 35-year-old Yugoslav, was caught by a taxi driver outside the hospital and taken into police custody.



"See? We're even watering it!"

Port of Spain, May 5

Monday's general election in St Lucia put a decisive end to nearly three years of flirtation with political change and returned the island's 120,000 people to the familiar leadership of the late 1960s and 1970s. The United Workers' Party of Mr John Compton, the former Prime Minister, was swept back to power with 14 of the 17 seats in the House of Assembly.

Mr Compton was Prime Minister for 15 years until he was defeated by the St Lucia Labour Party soon after independence from Britain in 1979. He is expected to continue his pro-Western foreign policy and to concentrate on restoring the island's economic growth. ruling Sudan Socialist Union, and conflicting demands from the south for the creation of additional regions, are only some of the difficulties now facing President Jaafar el-Nimeiry.

They are made more serious by an economic situation which experts describe as disastrous, caused by a high level of imports,

scribe as disastrous, caused by a high level of imports, lack of efficiency in industries and services, and an enormous debt burden.

Yet President Nimeiry, who has been in power since 1969 — by far the longest term served by any Sudanese leader — insists that the recurring crises are not crucial to either his own survival or to the continuation of Sudan's pro-Western policy, "I can remove my deputy, and have as many deputies as I want", he told trate on restoring the is-land's economic growth.

The SLP, which held power for most of the last three years, managed to hold only two of the 12 seats it won in 1979, while the left-wing Progressive Labour Party of Mr George Odlum, which broke away from the SLP last year, took the remaining seat.

deputies as I want", he told me. "If any deputy is not working according to my plan, I will take him out".

Similarly, he plays down the importance of the riots which waste out earlier this which broke out earlier this year after sugar prices, always a hot political issue, had been raised as part of a new economic recovery pro-gramme. He says the student agitation against the sugar price increase was a result of Libyan agitation. Although there is no evidence of this, the student body is certainly open to influence from

Muslim fundamentalists, including Libyans.
President Nimeiry is preoccupied by the alleged Libyan threat, although even some members of his own Government do not see it as a serious affair. His opponents say it is used as a diversion to cover up some of the Sudan's own problems, par-ticularly the rising prices of bread and other

An exhibition of captured arms smuggled in from Libya by Sudanese dissidents, who were allegedly supplied with them by the Libyan auth-orities, has been given wide publicity in Khartum. But the few mortars, machine guns, rifles, grenades and booby-trapped portable radios could constitute no more than a

There are worrying signs that the recent link-up between Libya, Ethiopia and South Yemen is being used to encourage opposition in the Sudan. Libyan finance has

troops in March were ambushed, and not killed

accidentally in a cross-fire,

as Salvadorean officials

The guerrilla's version of

the shooting appeared today in the weekly newsmagazine De Tijd, and his account was confirmed by Mr Jan Willem Bertens, a Dutch foreign ministry specember who

ministry spokesman who questioned him.

the guerrilla arrived earlier this week in the Netherlands

to take part in the Dutch

Government's investigation of the killings of the television team on March 1.

by Senor Salvador Samoya, who holds the position of Foreign minister in the Farabundo Marti Liberation

Front, which is fighting to overthrow the Salvadorean

Government.

Identified only as Martin,

Dutch journalists were

ambushed, guerrilla says

Gaddafi blamed for Nimeiry's troubles

Political problems resulting from rivalries in his own
Army, bickering and ineffective leadership from the
ruling Sudan Socialist Union,
and conflicting demands

tween the two leaders ex-(when the two leaders ex-changed visits), have not continued.

Mr Mohamed Mirghani, the Sudanese Foreign Minister, says however, that there are

signs of a better understand-ing with Ethiopia, especially at the administrative level along the frontier.

Dr Magharief said the main Dr Magharief said the main support for the overthrow of Colonel Gaddafi comes from inside Libya, and that clandestine radio broadcasts will soon be beamed into Libya from other unspecified, places to arouse more opposition. The next Organization of African Unity summit con-

African Unity summit con-ference is due to be held in Tripoli in August, when Colonel Gaddafi would become, by custom, the new chairman of the OAU. But President Nimeiry says he does not believe the Tripoli summit will take place — presumably because of the strong opposition to Colonel Gaddafi inside Africa. But he did not suggest how that might happen, and would not say whether he himself would attend if the summit

The Sudan is firmly in the ing substantial military and economic support from the United States. This has brought criticism from some other Arab states, and is partly responsible for Colo-

nel Gadafi's opposition.
The complicated question of a division of the present southern Sudan is far from settled, although President Nimeiry has, for the present, overruled proposals for the creation of three separate regions in the south to decentralize government services.

But the elections now taking place for a new president of the Southern Region will revive this issue, it will continue to demand attention. Meambers of the Dinka tribe, the largest in the south, want to retain one region, but other tribes say they want to end Dinka "domination".

In the meantime, the lengthy ques at petrol stations, and the staggering black-market prices for petrol in some remoter places, are evidence of the Sudan's shortage of foreign ex-

the journalists could film the guerrilla side of the two-and-

a-half-year conflict, which

has claimed an estimated 40,000 lives. - AP.

Constituent Assembly yester-

day unanimously named the

14 Cabinet ministers wh are

to work with President

Democrats, who control 24 of

the 60 seats in the assembly,

received three ministries,
The Conservative National
Conciliation Party also
gained three and the right-

wing Republican Nationalist Alliance received four minis-

tries. Three ministries, in-cluding the interior ministry,

went to independents, while the Army will continue to hold the Defence Ministry.

The assembly reappointed

three ministers. General Jose

The moderate Christian

□ San Salvador.

Alvaro Nagana.

camp to the empty Argyle 4 camp, where surprised camp workers allowed them to

onter.

The former camp manager,
Mr David Smith, who had to
return unofficially to duty,
pointed out that all the
camp's bunks had been
removed and that there were
no cooking facilities.

Luckily we still have run-

removed and that there were no cooking facilities.

Luckily we still have running water and the showers and toilet block is still working, he said. "The returning refugees are volunteering to move furniture and equipment from the Kaitak North camp to improve conditions and are working hard as if to repay us for granting them resanctuary, but it will only be temporary, I expect".

Hongkong police have already arrested 51 Vietnamese refugees for involvement in the factional fighting over the pastathree days in the Kaitak North camp, where 7,487 refugees are awaiting resettlement.

A police spokesman said

resettlement.
A police spokesman said that order had been restored
The sources expected that inside the camp and that "the two factions have been separated".

to be sigregated because they must learn how to live together.

Many Hongkong residents in a public housing estate next to the Kaitak North camp are alarmed at the outbreak of armed fighting.

retaliation.
The office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees said that the problem was under careful study and emphasized that the recent severe tightening of resettlement programmes resulted in new arrivals having greatly reduced re-The Hague, May 5 — A guerrilla eyewitness claims that the four Dutch television journalists killed by Salvadorean Government Government in March 1988 and 19

settlement prospects.
Mr Lewis Davies, the
Hongkong Secretary for
Security, pledged that a
strong police presence would
be maintained

camp will soon be returned to the Kaitak North camp. Hard-labour punishment has been proposed for ar-rested refugees.

Turks demand action on

Ankara, May 5-The Turkish Government summoned Mr Robert Strauss-Hupe, the American Ambassador and demanded immediate mea-sures to apprehend the killers of the Turkish honorary consul general for New England.

Mr Orhan Gunduz was shot doad as he sat at the wheel of his car in Somerville, Massachusetts, on Tuesday night by two men posing as joggers. An Armenian group claimed responsibility.

staff agine camp, however, denied that "a line of demarcation" had been, or could be established. The deputy mairman of the camp's management committee, Me Karl Stumpf, said:
"We should not allow them

outbreak of armed lighting.

They report that some of the refugees have been chasing one another and brawling joutside the camp during the past months, but that they have been reluctant to report the incidents to the pasts. police because of fears of

It is expected that the refugees who made their second escape to the vacated

death of consul

Africans reject Namibia scheme

From Michael Hornsby
Johannesburg, May 5
Black Africa's "frontline"states have rejected as sterile the current Western attempt to secure a negotiated settlement of the Namibia question, and declared that it should be set aside in favour of a "Genevatype conference under the auspices of the United Nations."

This statement — the most serious setback for the Western negotiating effort since it began towards the end of last year — was issued of the a meeting vector of the serious vec end of last year — was issued after a meeting yesterday in Dar Es Salaam, the Tanzanian capital, of "front-line" foreign ministers and Mr Sam Nujoma, the President of Swapo (South-West Africa People's Organization).

The meeting was convened at the request of the Swapo leader, whose guerrilla forces have been fighting a bush war against the South

bush war against the South African Army since 1966 for Namibia's independence. The Vietnamese

refugees

from Richard Hughes,
Hongkong, May 5

Hundreds of south Vietnamese refugees are making their second escape from northern compatriots, but this time from their common sactuary in Hongkong's main refugee: camp to a recently vacated one.

Threats of continuing violence by their northern Vietnamese fellow refugees groups of whom have been attacking the southerners with choppers and iron bars—led to the flight of nearly 1,000 from the Kaitak North camp to the empty Argyle 4 camp, where surprised camp

strategy, pursued since last autumn by America, Britain, Canada, France and West Germany, which seeks a settlement by stages, getting agreement first on the broad shape of Namibia's constitution, and then going on to other matters such as the size and deployment of the United Nations force that would be sent to keep the peace in the run-up to pre-

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The sources expected that the contact group would meet in the course of the

next formight or so to re-appraise their position.

In the meantime, it has been confirmed that Dr Chester Croker, the American Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, who has been leading the Western Group, will meet senior South African offi-cials in Switzerland next week (not this Thursday as originally reported) for conti-dential talks on the Namibia



Zimbabwe border blast

From Stephen Taylor, . Harare: May 5

A series of explosions in the town of Beit Bridge in South Matabeleland, on Zimbabwe's border with South Africa, damaged railway, electricity and water installations, the police con-

firmed. The damage to a water tank, a pylon and a stretch of railway line was slight and the supply of electricity to the town was not affected.

Officials did not comment on who was responsible, but the area is one in which dissidents from one of the country's former guerrilla armies have been active. Police have also disclosed

that one member of a gang was seriously wounded and two others captured in a shoot-out south of Bulawayo on Monday. The gang's presence at a Kraal in the Mr Gunduz, was the sec-presence at a Kraal in the ond Turkish offical to be rural area about 25 miles killed in the United States south of the city had been reported to the army.

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Martin was quoted by De Guillerno Garcia will remain as Defence Minister. Senor government patrol was wait- Fidel Chavey Mena, a Chris-

ing for the television team, tian Democrat who was and opened fire on them and Forgn Minister under the old on the guerrillas who net junta, will keep his job. The

on the guerrillas who net junta, will keep his job. The them as soon as they had all third is Senor jorge Eduardo

come within shooting range. Tenouia, an independent.

Guru of the baths

An English Temper Essays on Education, Culture & Communications By Richard Hoggart (Chatto & Windus, £9.50)

(Chatto & Windus, 19.50)

Up the road from Goldsmith's College, South London, is a public baths, "lavatorially-tiled, smelling of chlorine, very bleak-looking, very shabby". One of its frequent visitors is the College Warden and cultural prophet of the '50s and '60s, Richard Hoggart. Whether Mr Hoggart, adult-educationalist, ex-United Nations bureaucrat and author of the twenty-five-year-old best seller, The Uses of Literacy, attends the baths for research or refreshment is not stated. What he finds there, however, is an overweight stated. What he finds there, however, is an overweight attendant — "what our right-wing press likes to call a yobbo or layabout" — who on one noted occasion grabbed the good guru and the bis attention to the drew his attention to the

prettiness of the Edwardian wrought-iron roof.
"His vocabulary was massively inadequate to what he was trying to say", writes

Hoggart, his conscious sense of the umazing thing that was happening insule him almost non-existent. This story underlines once again that we must resist the again that we must resist the ogam and we must resist the constant pressure to undervalue others, especially those that do not inhabit our own publicly articulate world, olso our duty not to romanticise the situations such people are in

In this book of nineteen essays — mostly written since 1975 — Hoggart has always to tread this same difficult path between rejecting and romanticizing the achievements of the popular

The Gentleman in

By Shirley Robin

The Gentleman is an obsol-

escent beast in our egali-tarian age. It is difficult to

use the word without pomposity or sarcasm. Why, the anti-clitist embarrassment

has seeped down even to our public lavatories, which are labelled Men rather than

Gents. The title of this book

implies that it is a narrow work of Lit Crit. On the

contrary, it is an unfashio-

nably broad work of philos-ophy, arguing that the con-cept of the English Gentle-man is a forgotten and better

Dr Letwin suggests that

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culture he did so much to promote. It makes a brave piece of retrospection. He faces up to the most

manifest horrors — the 200-acre university Campuses that have become the middle-class equivalent of the now-disgraced tower-blocks, the polytechnics where mass-media courses have been media courses have been judged more "relevant" than Shakespeare. His UNESCO work in the early '70s has cast an unkindly blight over his faith in the cure-all powers of communication. He still has hankerings after the concept of some industhe still bas hankerings after the concept of some industrialized noble savage but, except in his local bath house, reality wins through. An influential thread that passes through all his work is distaste for the convoluted jargons used by politicians and PR men to gull their working class victims. In a sharp study of Matthew Arnold as a schools inspector he compares approvingly the

he compares approvingly the clear short sentences of an II-year-old state school girl with the latinate periods of a boy in private education.

The best that can be said for Hoggart's own prose style is that it stands in our oral rather than written tradition. In one of many remarkable sentences he offers two dashes, a parenthesis within the dashes, a semi-colon within the par-enthesis and some final emphasizing italics to help clear the confusion. Neither for its coment nor style can
An English Temper be called
a joy to read; but the
thoughts of a sincere idealist - however muffled by ex perience - repay some small

sad study. Peter Stothard

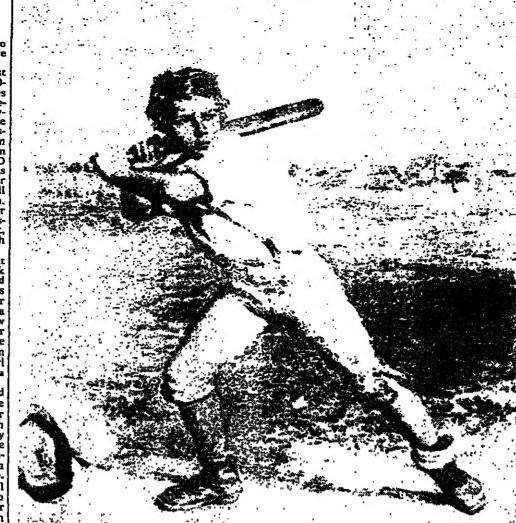
world to rights. He sees

the vanishing species. She could just as well have used Jane Austen or Fielding. It is

not a matter of gender. By her standards the most

perfect gentleman in Trol-

ope's novels is Madame Max



Look out in the slips. Watercolour of A Young Cricketer by William Henry Hunt, always esteemed by artists, critics, and now collectors, but one of the most seriously underdocumented of English nineteenth-century painters. The omission is now repaired by this full Life and Work with a catalogue by Sir John Witt (Barrie & Jenkins, £35).

Down with cads Buck-you-uppa through pix more sensible approach. He is an individual who appreci-Of This Our Time ates the differences in other

A Journalist's Story 1905-1950 individuals. He does not presume to have a direct telephone line to God or History, nor hold himself responsible for setting the By Tom Hopkinson

(Hutchinson, £8.95) world to rights. He sees mortal existence as a gift which men have a duty to enjoy. His attitudes to work, money, class, sex, and the position of women were saner than those of the self-divided man. Shirley Letwin uses Trollope for her field work to find specimens of the vanishing species. She

As a 1940s kid I read Picture Post, along with Everybody's, Illustrated and John Bull. while waiting for a short back-and-sides. Because the magazine seemed so demotic, I had always assumed that its "legendary" editor, Tom Hopkinson, was a man of the people, a gritty figure from oop north, perhaps. His use of the matey "Tom" supported this impression. The best anagram I can make of his name — "NO! TO MINK SHOP" SHOP" - reinforces the Goesler; and her antipode, the most utter cad, is Lizzie Eustace, rudderless and unable to respect any limits or order.

SAOP — reinforces the anti-luxurious working-class image, though admittedly the anagram of the ennobled Sir Tom Hopkinson — "I'M TO SINK POOR NHS" — has a more reactionary twist.

This is entertaining, pro vocative, unfashionable stuff; So it was a surprise to even if Shirley Letwin as an discover that Hopkinson was the son of a archaeologist who became Archdeacon of American is more impressed by the English Gent than those of us to the mannerism born. I dare say that even Westmorland; that he had a public school and Oxford education; and that he is that paragon of creation, the Gentleman, had something to diverted by social trivia (his learn from such prophets of Oxford scout, William, "knew 26 different ways to our divided century as Marx and Freud. But even if you fold a napkin.")

ophy entire, the book is an engaging chance to meet again all those diverse living gents and cads in Trollope.

Yet my mental picture of Hopkinson was not wholly adrift. For a start, he does come from oop north: he was Philip Howard born in Manchester. And he about his private life. The is rather grim. He does not brusque coverage of his

as if we all needed our morales boosting as in the dark days of Picture Post. (Perhaps we do.) And a Samuel Smiles self-made-man consciousness comes through in the chapter head-ings — "Ladder of Learnings — "Ladder of Learn-ing"; "First Steps on a Long

Road"; "Success" — as though he were the hero of an Arnold Bennett or Howard Spring novel. The passages of self-congratulation (including laudstory quotations about him) can be forgiven, partly because he forgiven, partly because he scrupulously records his mistakes and failures too, and partly because he has a survive him. It has sunk into lot to be immodest about.

The book perks up as it goes

Hopkinson

lack humour, but under everything lies moral imperative and social conscience (and" why not?) and something more fey which causes him to flirt with the notion of reincarnation.

A buck-you-uppa note sounds throughout the book, autobiography, Sprightly Running, he does not just select and record incidents, he makes it clear what he learned from them.

> He was obviously a good, decisive editor, and he passed the final test of integrity with honours when Edward Hulton (to whom he is more than fair) sacked him because Hopkinson insisted on publishing atrocity pictures of "our side" in the Korean war. That moral imperative

Picture Post did not long The book perks up as it goes along. The first chapters reflect his dreary childhood. His parson father was oppressively saintly, and an upbringing by that sort can be more warping than by a carefree rogue. By the second page, Hopkinson has already told of two untruths into which he was forced by father's piety. The odour of sanctity must have stunk out the house.

Dame Myra Hess and Itma. Sir Tom convinces me that it off; but by bringing the living reality into our homes, television ensured that it odowned the formula is today was proved by the failure of Sir James Goldsmith's heavily pictorial NOW! magazine, of which even the logo was a coarsened crib of Picture Post's.

Bevis Hillier

Fiction

A Chain of Voices By André Brink (Faber, £7.95)

dozen or so Boer farmers, Hottentots, and African slaves who were caught up in the abortive act of rebellion; and the story is told through their individual testimonies. It's a well tried device, particularly suitable when the culmination is made heavy demands on an author's ability to create characters from the inside. But here, as in his choice of subject matter, Mr Brink is

conviction by both sides — to his master, just as Hest-that there are only two sorts er's hold over her husband of people in the world: those becomes more complete

born to be slaves.

The saga unfolds on the van der Merwe farmstead, high on the Bokkeveld, seven days by waggon from Cape Town, and therefore almost out of reach of unsettling rumours that the British unbesties there are unique. of reach, but not quite, because the immediate cause

(Faber, £7.95)

At the risk of upsetting readers who turn to these columns for respite from the fanastical events chronicled elsewhere in the paper, and not of course wishing to add to the burden carried by the leaders of two great nations, it has to be said that the recent behaviour of both Mrs Thatcher and the Argentina Junta lends impressive support to Friedrich Engels's claim that history makes itself in such a way that the final result always arises from the conflict between individual wills.

This belief dictates the structure of Andre Brink's fifth novel. It is based on one of the bitterest and most poignant episodes in South African history, the murder of three white settlers by a group of slaves in February, 1825. The voices of the book's title belong to the two dozen or so Boer farmers, Hottentots, and African in the for himself. As a consolation prize, their adult to Nicoconsolation prize, their father gives Galant to Nicolaas, to help him run the farm he had hoped to escape

Unfortunately, Piet's style of child-rearing, like his approach to everything else, the culmination is made was based on selective read-known at the outset. Since ing of the Bible and liberal there is no independent use of the sjumbok. As a narrative, it also makes result, both his sons have heavy demands on an become weak builties, desperbecome weak bullies, despercreate ate to draw on the greater inside, strength of the individuals over whom they have been given absolute power, and swift to resort to brute force subject matter, Mr Drink is given absolute power, and playing to established strength. And the result is a triumph, not only of story telling, but of insight into the belief—held with equal

every time she is raped by him. The explosive violence of

ably from what has gone before that no tension is lost by having it revealed at the beginning. But Mr Brink's real achievement is to explore simultaneously the psychological and sociologi-cal forces which make the tragedy inevitable, dextrously weaving the threads of domestic conflict into the grand-er tapestry of historical

change.
Terry Coleman's Thanksgiving (Hutchinson, 17.95)
also deals with historical
events of great significance, but it's small beer by com-parison. Wolsey Lowell, the beautiful though dangerously over-educated daughter of a Yorkshire priest, sails to America with the Pilgrim Fathers. She marries a scholar who goes mad, and is forced to leave Plymouth for the comparative sybaritism of New Amsterdam, where she takes up with jolly Irish sea-dog Harry O'Brien. They have twin daughters, who subsequently accompany a French explorer on an ill-fated expedition into Indian

Mr Coleman belongs to the broad-sweep school of trawl-ing. Real characters like Peter Stuvyesant, Oliver Peter Stuyvesant, Oliver Cromwell, George Downing, and Samuel Pepys wander on tional creations, talking (and thinking) in a curious hybrid of seventeenth and twentieth century speech. A great deal happens, but it all gets a bit out of hand, largely because the writer seems to lose track really about. It's a good yarn, though, and worth taking on holiday, even if the only result of reading it is to send you back to Fenimore Cooper and Captain Marryat.

John Nicholson

Paperbacks

Scottish Walks and Legends by Janice Anderson and Edmund Swinglehurst (Granada, two vols, £1.50)

The answer, of course, is hand. A Lewis man, shown yes, but at the moment the relevant chapter on his they're keeping it all unto themselves. Perhaps Anderson and Swinglehurst should have done the same It's one Robert Orrell's Saddle have done the same. It's one thing to meet some back-packed bore halfway up Scafell itching to unload a tall tale, but two volumes of things are quite different matter. Tam Lin is a pretty legend but, like the accompany them. Just to make sure you really do get lost, the publishers have kindly transposed the main maps in the two volumes and omitted to provide indices, so if you find someone looking for Culloden in June Shire this summer you know whom to blame.

Walking in Scotland, edited by Roger Smith (Spur, £4.95), on the other hand, while no great read, does represent an

astonishing compendium of genuine walker's knowledge of the terrain. The Scottish area of the Ramblers' Association was behind the book and one can only thank them deeply. Had I spent as many difficult hours as the various writers have trekking through the length and breadth of the country, I should not yield up my secrets so readily. The intro-ductory sections to each Should one bewail a paucity secrets so readily. The intro-of pedestrian literature? Ask the poor old Lit. Ed. and his region are sound and backed eyeballs roll towards the up by bibliographies, and one ceiling; but in the literal is left with the impression sense, yes, indeed we should that the book stems from a Cobbett rode and Theroux knowledge of Scotland rather chugged, but did anyone of than a quick dash through the besther possible in the best poss

Robert Orrell's Saddle Tramp in the Lake District (Granada, £1.50) is not strictly pedestrian. Douged by failure and debts, he took to District on two ponies and sleeping under the stars. There is obvious affection for the countryside, and the rest, poorly recounted. The There is obvious affection walks usually bear little for the countryside, and the relation to the stories which author seems a like able to be follow but we appear to be fellow, but we appear to be directionless in sub-Herriot

Wynne Bartlett has a fancy for the Lakes too, particu-larly the haunts of Beatrix Potter: Lakeland Walks from Beatrix Potter (Warne, 75p). Miss Bartlett's brand of literary detection should win her a contract with Jonathan Cape's metaphysics section.

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as Rhode Island, the smallest of the 50 states.

Where legend lives in the good daily life

fact and legend, until the two are indistinguishable. One discovers that one governor, Mr Richard B. Hubbard, weighed more than 400 pounds. Why not? It's Texas. When I lived there, a paid obituary in a cattle journal announced the death of Mr Brankala, a bull of more than 2,000lbs, a cross between an Angus and a Brahman which had left 3,000 ampules of its semen. By any Texan standard, it did not seem pro-

digious.
Texans had been renowned and disliked for boasting of their bigness, until one of the best known writers among them said: "Texans should learn silence". But this must be understood of Texas: the closeness of legend to fact, and of fact to legend, is striking and telling. The popular concept of the Texan, as one Texan historian says, still has vitality and meaning in daily life. In spice of the relevaless pressures spite of the relentless pressures of national integration and homogenization. Texans are still regarded by themselves and others as people with a difference.

Texans even now talk of a separate nation to which Texas is joined only by a treaty of convenience. They have some justification in both history and law. Texas joined the United States very much on its own terms. When it was admitted to the Union, it was given the right, if it should ever wish to do so in the future, to divide itself into more than one state. By

Everything in Texas is big, in York, Texans could have 10 expansive schemes in their instead of two United States businesses.

> its own hands and not those of Washington than is the case in other states. This has encouraged the obsessive passion for land speculation that has been a persistent feature of Texan life. Given the size of the land and the scale of much of the ranching and farming, this speculation had always been the out." root of both the fact and the legend of the Texans' easy fortunes. The get-rich-quick Texan was a legend long before the oil gushed.

The discovery of the oil only magnified the speculative possibilities in land which was already rich in timber and crops and cattle. That it made huge fortunes over-night for so many people was again not a new phenomenon in Texan life. Even before Spindletop blew its black gold out of the ground, the land itself had made the Texan of fact and legend: the confi-dent and free-swinging entrepreneur.

Wealth is not regarded in Texas as a commodity to conserve. The Texan does not think of himself merely as a custodian. As an individual, he used it for a good and extravagant life. (When a Texan talks of the good life, as he is apt to do, one can see and touch the things which make it good.) As a business-man, he uses it to make yet more by calculated risks. The millionaires who import snow turning themselves into five from the Rockies for their states, each the size of New parties indulge in no less parties indulge in no less early days that its natural

In a state whose people live ance is that the control of its public lands is much more in its own hands and not the control of its own hands and not the control of its comparable number of people anywhere else in the modern its own hands and not the control of its own hands are control of its world, it would be an invi-tation only to disappointment and even to cynicism to expect either its political or its social life to be virtuous. A Texan wrote to his mother in 1836 as a Texan might still write: "Mother, I am afraid the way from Texas to heaven has never been blazed

Texans do not only plunder their own land. To them it is part of their treaty rights to plunder the rest of the United States. They plundered the federal government during the New Deal more than any other state, and they show their gratitude: driving from Houston to San Antonio you pass through a town appropriately called New Deal. But it is now dying, bypassed by the ex-

pressway.

For there is more now, elsewhere, for the Texans to plunder. For several years now they have plundered the ever-multiplying contracts for its old and new but ever-expanding industries. The U.S. armed services, Texans are not unwilling to boast, is one of their cash crops.
It would be disillusioning

also to go to Texas and expect it to be non-violent. A visitor who noticed in the

rate was low in comparison with other states, said that Texans made up for it by patrioteally practising mortal combat with each other so that Texas would lead the nation even in this. Texans are not now so quick to draw, yet the violent settlement of disputes is

The Texas Rangers now ride in cars, sometimes switching to boats and aircraft, but always with a saddle in the boot.

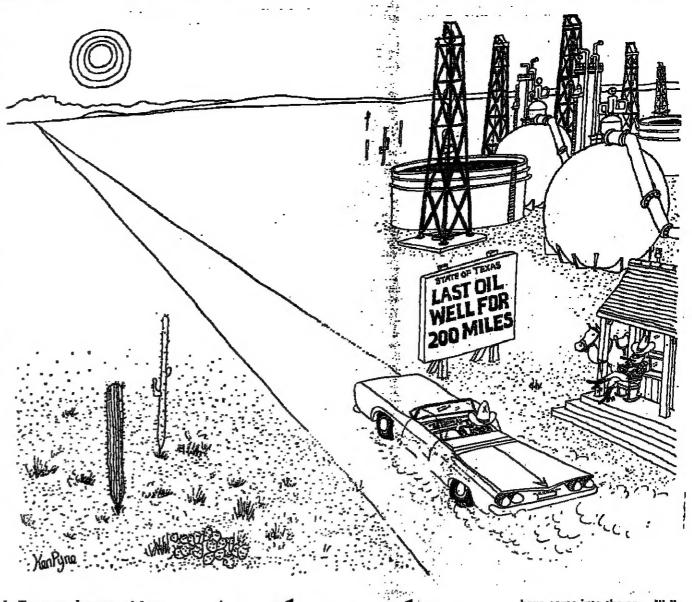
with a difference are among the most attractive in Ameri-ca, and the difference counts. The long years of bloody encounters with the Mexicans, a civilized people, left a different mark than the encounters of other Americans with the Indians. They are also the only state which was an independent nation before it entered the Union. The ten years of the Republic of Texas still give them a unique indentity.

For these and other reasons, as one Texan historian has recently said, they are frontiersmen still, but ad-justed to the modern world justed to the modern world in a unique way. One can meet no real Texans without finding them, as he says, adventurous, mobile, aggressive and adaptive; strongly individualistic and yet egalitarian; optimisitic and utilitarian; volatile and chauvinistic, which spills into provincialism and race-arrosance

But the vitality is irresist-ible, and with the vitality is the generosity, so ready a generosity and so uncloying. For in them is the spaciousness of their land. I once drove the whole length of it, from north to south, starting on ice-packed roads, arriving at last on subtropical gulf. There is the timber, all round are the great plains, in the middle is the hill country, a gently rolling land of goat ranches. Driving as the sun set on evening, white-tailed deer grazing everywhere, we suddenly found ourselves in the middle of a herd of buffalo.

For there is more now, elsewhere, for the Texans to plunder. For several years now they have plundered the U.S armed services, using the political clout that was perfected by Sam Rayburn and Lyndon Johnson, to bring army and air force basis to the state, and also huge and ever-multiplying contracts for its old and new but ever-multiplying to the texans to the state, and also huge and ever-multiplying contracts annelope play". antelope play".

> Everyone has their own Texas. Mine is there but also in the flaring petrochemical industry on the ship channel. Why have to choose in a state which is a country?



In Texas car bumper stickers still exhort passers-by to get an oil well, but the energy euphoria of the last couple of years is ebbing away.

The rapid decline of the oil price, reversing the sharp rise in the United States after President Reagan lifted regu-lations, high interest rates and the recession in the economy are all taking their

economy are all taking their toll.

Major groups may still be spending more — Exxon's domestic capital and exploration spending this year is expected to rise 25 per cent to \$6,000m — but for many independents and oil service companies the boom, while not going into a hust is not going into a bust, is

slackening off.
As Mr George Mitchell, of
Mitchell Energy and Development Corporation, one of the larger, very successful inde-pendent groups put it: "You're going to see a pretty tough year, this year."

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His company last year had an energy budget of \$450m. This year that has been cut to \$300m and may be cut to \$300m and may be cut again, depending what happens to interest rates. From 360 wells drilled in the continental United States last

As the gushers dry, what now?

petrochemical industry is

depressed.

No one believes that the search for oil both worldwide and in the United States is going to tail off permanently. oil business

fields that revolutionized its

year, Mitchell Energy will drill between 250 and 275 during 1982.

Refining — 25 per cent of the nation's capacity is in the Houston and Gulf area — is in the doldrums and the percephanical industry is developed in the East Texas fields and as the major United States companies increased their exploration and production overseas, in the 1950s and 1950s Houston in particular developed. developed as the inter-national oil capital. "More

than any other town in the world". Mr Kistler said, "Houston is the centre of the "It's going to continue to grow through the rest of this century," said Mr Bill increased drilling over the Drilling Tools and Equipment group of Hughes Tool, the Houston-based rig equipment manufacturer. "We are going to have to continue to rely on oil and gas as the major energy source." Texas is really where the modern oil industry started, with the first discoveries of the giant fields that revolutionized its

marginal prospects profit-

have come into the area. Well over half of the most active independents in Houston were not there 15 years ago and between 40 and 45 per cent of them were not there

ten years ago.

These independents do not confine their activities to Texas. Sanders Oil and Gas, a small independent in Dallas, has acreage in the Abo trend in Chaves county, New Mexi-co. This is a "tight gas" area, which means that because the structures need to be fractured to gain production, a higher price can be obtained under government control — gas is still regu-lated — than from simpler structures. Sanders will actu-ally be drilling more wells this year than last. Last year it could not get the acreage it wanted at the right price. Competition is fierce. Mr Tad Sanders, a vice predident, reckoned that there were three to four times the number of operators interested in prospects than there were five years ago.

There are signs, however, that interest is flagging. Investment is unlikely to flow into speculative drilling ventures this year, the way it Continued on facing page

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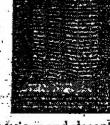
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Banking: rapid growth despite a legal straitjacket

and domestic banks outside Texas have set up operations. So far Houston has taken the brunt of the expansion folbrunt of the expansion fol-lowing the energy led growth of the city. There are now 64 foreign banks operating in some way in Houston com-pared with only 15 in 1976. But Dallas is seeing the impact too with five foreign banks and 18 non-Texas US banks competing for busi-ness.

In the minds of many people

around the world the words "Houston" and "Mission

Control" are synonymous.
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National Aeronautics and
Space Administration's Lyndon B. Johnson Space Centre
have been identified as a

single entity almost since the space centre site was chosen in 1961 and their special

of identity when the first

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In little more than a decade banking in Texas has changed out of all recognition. Although Houston and Dallas are not, and probably never will be, financial centres of the type and scale seen in New York, London or Hongkong, the area has quickly established itself as a place where it is essential for international banks to be.

Growth has been very fast in Texas increased by 212 per cent to a total of \$82,200m between 1970 and the end of 1931 compared with an increase nationwide of 154 per cent to September last year.

Coupled with this growth has been a \$30 banks and those than \$50 banks are not and probably now at the perceive to be their local bank, who runs the state to be their local bank, who runs the bank or what they perceive to be their local bank, who runs the bank or what they perceive to be their local bank, who runs the banks of the forming of banks allowed the forming of banks in the Texas banking a prospective operation set up last July. The competition is greatest with large corporation and international business, but it is also growing in the middle market. "If you have professional expertise in a specialized area of banking have all to be able to show and domestic banks outside the forming of banks and those their local bank, who runs the State. The overseas banks with large corporation and international business, but it is also growing in the middle market. "If you have professional expertise in a specialized area of banking when the provide of the deposits in the state.

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Texas has very restrictive banking laws. It operates under what is known as a unit banking system. This outlaws branch banking and means that each bank must be incorporated separately with its own board of directors.

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cession and growth could well slow this year.
Further ahead is the effect of a deregulation of the American banking system.
Most United States bankers expect interstate banking to come, the only question is

Nicholas Hirst

How one city excited the world

relationship began.

The rest of the world shared in that sense of unity missions, and to participate in medical, engineering and scientific experiments to help or identity when the first words spoken by men standing on the surface of the moon were radioed back to earth, beginning: "Houston, Tranquillity Base here—the Eagle has landed." Since that July day in 1969, the Johnson Space Centre has given the world the visionary Mercury, Apollo and Gemini space. man understand and improve his environment. Situated 25 miles southeast of central Houston, the Nasz facility and its staff rapidly became a major influence on the developing city, lending a charisma to the metropolitan area. "Our greatest contribution has been to education "Because we are an educated group of people we helped develop the schools and the outlook of the universities, not just in research but in a programmes, and now has responsibility for the Space. Shutle programme. "We excited the world", said Dr. Christopher Kraft, the directnot just in research but in a wide-ranging area of pro-

Centre, who made his first trip to Houston when the 1,620-acre Nasa site was still a cow pasture.
"At the time we moved programme as a flag to establish its own identity."

Approximately 3,500 enginhere the city was in-the throes of deciding whether rapid development, was the answer or not. The atmoeers, technicians, scientists, secretaries, mathematicians, managers, clerks, photograprogramme contributed to the futuristic outlook of this phers, writers, instructors, administrators and astro-nauts are employed at the particular area of the country and added enormous impetus to the development

The Johnson Space Centre was officially opened in September 1963 with a mandate to design, develop and test spacecraft and associated systems for manned flight; to select and train astronauts; to plan and conduct manned a year in wages and an extra start installing locks and \$50m to \$100m in additional tightening things up generevenue. Much of the money ally. Nasa is a civilian agency is spent in the immediate and by charter is dedicated to vicinity of Nasa's establish-

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ment and new motels, shop-ping plazas, homes and schools are evident. During the next 10 years the bulk of the management of the Space Shuttle programmes will be shifted to the Kennedy Space Centre at Cape Canaveral in Florida, but Nasa will still

retain a major presence in Houston. "Currently we plan to have a fleet of four Shuttles operational by the end of the decade with a further four built for Nasa by the turn of the century," said Dr Kraft.

"Columbia will be joined "Columbia will be joined by Challenger, Discovery and Atlantis by 1990 and the United States Air Force will "Downtown Houston was have its own shuttle in influenced by the spirit of operation also. Air Force Nasa and used the space personnel will join us here at the Johnson Space Centre for Columbia's fourth mission to monitor our operation and manage the Department of

Defence payload the shuttle Dr Kraft admitted that some Nasa employees were concerned at the increased security measures the new-Johnson Space Centre and security measures the new-another 7,500 people work in comers were insisting upon at the Space Centre. "We have been used to operating have been used to operating the space companies and the space companies are the space centre." The combined staff brings totally openly here but the in between \$250m and \$300m Air Force people want to a year in wages and an extra start installing locks and

space for the benefit of all mankind. There will be some restrictions in the future but not enough to change the nature of Nava".

Dr Kraft is a strong supporter of Nasa and its charter. He has fought numerous attempts to wrest

numerous attempts to wrest control of the organization from its civilian directorship and place it on a more political and/or military foot-

Nasa has been asked to do a lot of things that are really beyond its charter", he said. "We have been asked to solve the energy problem, to devote time to the environmental problem and look at the other massive problems confronting the human race. But we have a charter and that charter is space, any divergence from that goal would dilute the agency and take away its altruism and

In the future the Johnson Space Centre will be the home of the technical arm of Nasa, a role which Dr Kraft believes will continue to challenge its employees.

Dr. Kraft predicts that in 20 years the Johnson Space Centre will have increased the number of its staff by about one third with Nasa activities spread equally at Cape Canaveral and Vande berg Air Force Base in California. "Our efforts will be assisted by strong participation from private industry. The character of Nasa may change superficially but I believe that its essential nature will remain the same and will-continue to contribute toward the development of Houston and the United of Houston and the United he said.

Piers Akerman

Dallas, where business is business

The television picture when likes to think of itself as a compared with the real thing financial, banking and inreal time. The real city has real time. The real city has constant road construction ed before Dallas, but Dallas and the building of a fast-growing community. There are oil men here and, as in the television programme, aware. Houstonians would many of them own ranches. But unlike Houston, Dallas Callas opened the Opera in Dallas in 1957 and the Dallas

Hertz Rent-a-Car at the ily as an oil city. The Dallas city airport of Love Field displays a reservation tonal conferences, in bars, raucousness of Houston is one every two and a half none touch, but Dallas the is a nice touch, but Dallas the is that the business of Dallas city airport of Love Rent-a-Car at the ily as an oil city. The Theatre was designed by company to relocate or Frank Lloyd Wright. The expand in Dallas. Now it is one every two and a half hours. Foreign banks which claim, are Houston's problem.

people, the Dallas-Fort Worth area combined is larger than the comparable Houston metropolitan area, but its rate of growth has not been quite so fast. "Dallas has got better understanding of its position and has better control," said Mr Terry Fritz, full-time President of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce. Nevertheless last wear Dallas put in more new

year Dallas put in more new office space than Houston or even Los Angeles. The Chamber hopes that within the next 10 years more American companies will have their corporate head-quarters in Dallas than in any other American city.. At the moment it lies third behind Houston and Chicago.

Last year the Chamber had an inquiry every three hours from a United States based

is a nice touch, but Dallas the is that the business of Dallas has been growing in Houston as the energy and port business expanded are opening title sequences of the television show.

Cranes spoil the skyline.

The property of the pusiness of Dallas is more of a white collar town than three than three million people, the Dallas Fort Worth lighter, more diverse, and it is that the business of Dallas has been growing port business expanded are opening them in Dallas too.

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> than it has elsewhere, its effects will be felt this year.
> But the city is proud of its planning record. Plans laid for a reservoir in 1940 are just being put into effect construction work will begin next year and work is already under way to add another international airport to relieve the expected heavy traffic at Dallas-Fort Worth by the year 2000.

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Oil boom over

Continued from facing page did in 1981. Operators are looking more askance at prospects in the popular Austin chalk region than they were. This is a faulted area which needs expensive drilling techniques with up to \$1m being spent for a single

diced view of the oil service companies, which reported sharply increased profits last year. For some, however, the decline in demand for rigs has come as a welcome relief. Such was the interest last year that many old, inefficient rigs with inexperienced crews were brought ficient rigs with inexperi-enced crews were brought immediate future is for into service and costs soared. slower growth. Now costs are being trimmed, and rig productivity

is rising. Last year Hughes Tool found that demand for rig equipment was outstrip-ping its capacity to produce remains capacity to produce.

Texas, with Houston as its oil capital, has built up expertise that is saleable worldwide. Mr Ed Hess, senior vice-president of Exxon USA, said in testimony to the Texas Railroad Commission: "Summarizing Wells in this area that the long term outlook, we looked highly profitable at believe the world's energy \$38 a barrel and more look future is basically unvery marginal with the price changed. Alternative sources falling below \$30.

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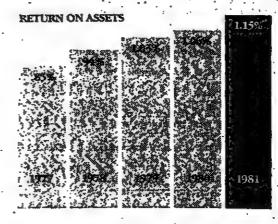


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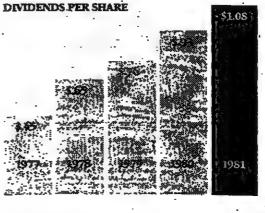
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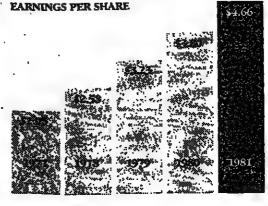
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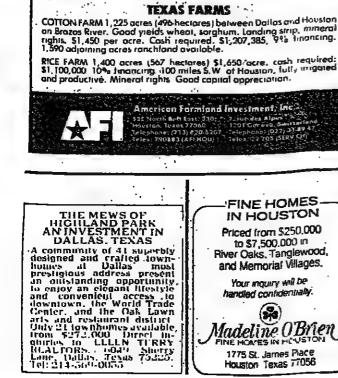
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Aleksei Nikitin and Vladimir Klebanov (insets) appealed in vain to the National Union of Mineworkers for support; Joe Gormley (left) accepted the Soviet explanation, will Arthur Scargill try to help the victims?

Will Arthur Scargill face the truth that Joe Gormley dodged?

When I gave up writing my course had to emigrate; Mr Times column a year ago, I Nikitin was examined by Dr Times column a year ago, I had one item of unfinished had one item of unfinished Anatoly Koryagin who, for business that now, though it the same fidelity to his is still unfinished, obliges me profession and the truth, is to seek the newspaper's now serving a 12-year sen-space and readers' attention tence, the first seven years of space and readers' attention tence, the first seven years of today. On April 15, 1981, I it in a concentration camp.) told the story of two Soviet
Coalminers, Mr Vladimir Klebanov indirectly, and Mr Nikitin directly, and Mr Nikitin directly, appealed to their miner Nikitin, who had done two things which, though in theory permitted in Soviet their struggle for the law are in practice prolaw, are in practice pro- establishment of minimal hibited in that country under union rights in a country

neglect of safety standards in Soviet mines (a neglect which would be a serious criminal offence in this country, where any miner would be rightly commended, and would receive the full support of the National Union of Mineworkers for disclosing details of it) and to the widespread corruption in the administration of the Soviet

mining industry.
Second, and in the eyes of the Soviet authorities far worse, they had attempted to form rudimentary trade unions, in a country where no such organizations are

It should be noted that peither of these two men campaigned for any political change in the Soviet Union; they did not seek or desire the overthrow of the Soviet system, nor did they express bands of their comrades in a element into the communist dictatorship of their country. They confined themselves entirely to industrial matters concerned with their own trade, and sought only what trade unionists everywhere seek — an improvement in workers' conditions.

Readers will not need to remember my original column to deduce what happened to these two brave men; they were both sen-tenced to indefinite terms of lunacy, and incarcerated in a prominent place in any that peculiarly vile insti- museum of those qualities, tution, unique to the Soviet The Soviet official charged

declared them mentally fit. Deen complisority sent to a control of the soviet in a statement and fates of the two doctors in question. Mr Klebanov was examined by Dr Alexander Voloshanovich who, for calling a sane man must have known that Mr sane, was subjected to Soviet known had not voluntarily persecution and in due to the solution of the Soviet in a statement announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a miners' union in the USSR. After 12 years of timidity and that what the department of obstruction within its ranks, Soviet management grotes and in due to the solution of the Soviet "doctors" announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a miners' union in the USSR. After 12 years of timidity and obstruction within its ranks, Soviet management grotes and the solution of the Soviet "doctors" announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a trying to form a statement of the Soviet "doctors" announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a trying to form a statement of the Soviet "doctors" announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a trying to form a statement announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a trying to form a statement announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his healing vocation in the USSR, who have so betrayed their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a statement announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a statement of the Soviet "doctors" announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a statement of the Soviet "doctors" announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a statement of the Soviet "doctors" announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet miner to his fate for trying to form a statement of the Soviet "doctors" announcing their abandon-ment of a Soviet mine

the most fearsome penalties. where no such rights exist.

First, they had drawn This is how Mr Nikitin put it:
attention to the scandalous Recalling the fine traditions of the trade unions — traditions formed in the bitter struggle for workers' rights — we ask the union bodies of Great Britain to give help and support to our newly created group in the USSR as regards the organizing of free trade unions. Alas; Mr Nikitin is un-

doubtedly sane, but he was far too sanguine about the response of the British National Union of Minework-ers. For the NUM sided with the Soviet bosses against the Soviet workers, and publicly washed their hands of their suffering comrades - suffering, I stress, not for crime or even political agitation, but for trying to form a trade union and to improve working conditions, and for noth-ing else at all.

The NUM washed their

any wish to introduce any statement which for shabbi-democratic or representative ness and cowardice deserves

They were both incarcerated in that peculiarly vile institution, unique to the Soviet Union, the madhouse for the sane

Union, the madhouse-for-the-with telling lies to the NUM about Mr Klebanov's case Both men were examined was a Mr Efremenko, who by genuine Soviet psychiatrists (to be thus distinguished from the KGB's accident and was consehired quacks who pronounce
sane men mad at the bidding said that he did not know
of the Soviet rulers); these whether Mr Klebanov
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Bernard Levin returns to some unfinished business: the case of the two persecuted Soviet miners

of the independent psy- ones made in a letter pub-chiatrist's conclusion that Mr lished in *The Times* a few Jebanov was in no need of days later from Dr G incarceration in even a genuine psychiatric hospital, let alone one of the torture-

Soviet dissidents are kept.

He also took care to evade mentioning in any way the passage in the NUM's statement in which they had declared themselves obliged to believe Mr Efremenko because the latter was Mr Gormley's opposite number, head of the Soviet miners head of the British. (I am not making this up; even after the dramatic events in Poland the lesson they should ments which affect the case.

First, the World Psychiatron may at last have taught even to the unteachable, the leaders of the NUM really did publicly

and therefore knew that Mr
Klebanov (and later Mr
Nikitin) was in no need of succeeded in making it
any hospital psychiatric worse. He begins, as if none
treatment and had been
sentenced to it solely for
standing up for workers'
rights, they announced that
they were bound to believe
Mr Efremenko.
In a shameful "reply" to
my column on the subject,
the then head of the NUM,
Mr Joe Gormley, took care to Mr Joe Gormley, took care to cases. This time he not only evade the central issue of Mr repeats his evasion of all the Efremenko's mendacity and central points of my charges to make no mention whatever and of the even more detailed

Beer and Mr Peter Reddaway, he asserts that he had "raised the case" of Klebanov and others, but does not mention that having raised them be dropped them.

Why do I return to the matter now? Partly because Mr Gormley has returned to it; partly because an annual review of such crimes is no bad thing; much more because Mr Klebanov and Mr Nikitin (and Dr Koryagin) are union as Mr Gormley was still undergoing frightful head of the British. (I am not suffering with no prospect of

atric Association may at last be moving towards the expul-sion of the Soviet "doctors"

next gathering of its General Assembly (in Vienna, next year) a resolution, passed overwhelmingly by the Royal College of Psychiatrists, in

the following terms:
In view of (a) well documented evidence of the mented evidence of the continuing, systematic abuse of psychiatry for political purposes in the Soviet Union since the General Assembly's resolution of September 1977 to "renounce and expunge these practices": And (b) the failure of the

All-Union Society of Neurologists and Psychiatrists to co-operate at all with the WPA's Review Committee on Political Abuse of Psy-chiatry in its investigation of various complaints by the Royal College of Psy-chiatrists and other WPA

member societies;
This General Assembly resolves that the All-Union Society should now be expelled from the WPA until such time as the All-Union Society can show that the political abuse of brought to an end.

The other reason is even more directly relevant to the case of Mr Klebanov and Mr Nikitin. Mr Gormley is no

> There is a straw to suggest that the wind in the NUM is blowing in the right direction at last

longer leader of the NUM. Since his successor, Mr Scargill, is well-known to be considerably further to the left than Mr Gormley it might be thought that he will be even less inclined to help his suffering comrades in the Soviet Union. But this may be a misreading of Mr be a misreading of Mr Scargill, his character and his situation.

Whatever view may be taken of him, no one could deny that his left-wing credentials are impeccable; one of Mr Gormley's problems, which he had in common with many other union leaders who share his moderate political views, was that the was always conscious of the danger of being out-flanked on the left, and this is something that Mr Scargill will not have to worry about. Moreover, and again irres-pective of the view taken of him, few will believe that Mr

Scargill, who has declared that the oppressed should be supported in all countries, including communist ones, would ever be reluctant to speak his mind and act upon the speaking. And there is a straw to suggest that the wind in the NUM is blowing in the right direction at last.
In the March issue of its official journal, The Miner, there is a remarkable article by Mr Ted Mackay, Area Secretary of the North Wales division. In it Mr Mackay relates the history of Mr Klebanov and Mr Nikitin, going into considerable detail and bringing the story right

up to date, including borrify-ing facts about the torture by drugs undergone by both these miners. Mr Mackay points out that at the NUM's most recent annual conference a resolution was passed, concerning human rights, "which com-mitted the NUM not just to pious words but to active

Well, the "active partici-pation" of the NUM in the case of their two persecuted Soviet comrades has so far been on the side of the persecutors. Perhaps Mr Scargil, who presumably must have read Mr Mackay's article, will now take steps to ensure that the NUM changes sides and throws its weight behind the victims. At any rate he would find it difficult to contest the argument with which Mr Mackay. ends his article, and with which I may perhaps be

... The question remains is the Soviet miner a genuinely respected member of the community, when the price he must pay for insisting on decent stan-dards of safety for his fellow workers is forcible detention in a prison mental hospital, and treatment with neuroleptic drugs? Alexei Nikitin and Vladi-

mir Klebanov were incar-cerated for no more than what we in the NUM do almost every day of our working lives. But they do have a hope and a trust — a hope that the NUM will continue its intercession on their behalf, and trust that the compassion of their fellow miners will not allow their heartfelt cries for justice and solidarity to be ignored.

I conclude with what I said at the Annual Conference: if the same criteria applied in Britain for "slandering the system", then every NUM official would be in a psychiatric hospital. Times Newspapers Limited, 1982 **Ronald Butt**

The difference the Sheffield has made

There are for the moment no position that while the task other politics in Britain than force is rightly reinforcing those of the Falklands conflict. The future of the Government and three political parties hangs on it, and the Government's own in-even the outcome of today's creased willingness to talk

our cause. Yet the sinking of large number of lives that were at first feared lost.

We were thus brought firmly up against the paradox that the more successful we were in naval and military terms, the less popular our cause was likely to become internationally, given that military strength from now on cannot be bloodless. It is doubtful whether our own loss of the Sheffield, which followed swiftly, will swing international feeling back towards, us again, whatever its impact on political and public feeling at home.

public feeling at home.

To the Government, the loss of the Sheffield has only proved what Ministers have realized from the start — that the mark evaluation to the fraught with descent however, the sinking of the Sheffield is more likely to be seen as a further justification of the view that the level of force and of losses now in prospect is "disproportion with his reterrated emphasis ate", the word increasingly being deployed from Labour from Labour from the labour from th

These international reper-

cussions will inevitably con-dition political opinion at home where the naval conflict has already sharpened the division between the Conservative and Labour real problem if Labour is openly transformed by the polarize opinion in such a manner as to squeeze the Social Democratic and Liberal Alliance at precisely the Labour unity.

Politics are thus moving

in the next parliament.

Since the Argentine selfure of the Falklands the Government for its handling Social Democrats, under the leadership of Dr David Owen, have given honest, stalwart and impressive support to the sending of the task force and to its sufficient use.

In some places, it is true, the SDP may benefit from its support for the Government and attract the votes of

opposed to the expedition though it is not impossible outright. Many more initially that at the last minute other luxuriated in patriotic indignation against the Argentines, adegainst the errors of British policy that led to the invasion, but they conveniently shut their eyes that the SDP ought to aim both to the probability that the task three would have to be used and to their own stituency in the country

reluctant many Labour MPs squeezed, and that public have become to support the Government in exerting further military pressure. The mood of Mr Foot himself has fluctuated between the implication last week that there should be no further military as fluid and uncertain as the should be no further military and diplomatic events on which it now initiatives, and the broader hangs.

diplomacy, that diplomacy itself should be quickened. In recent days (helped by

local elections may turn on through the Secretary-Genit.

Externally, the turmoil has front bench has become causerious implications for our tious, and in the House of relationship both with the Commons yesterday after the United States and our European allies. Both have Healey and Mr Pym were acknowledged the justice of doing their utmost to maindoing their utmost to main-tain bipartisanship. Even the the Argentine cruiser left was pretty quiet, realisting that in the aftermath of effect of weakening the this tragedy they would support in Europe for our military action because of the country if they seemed to strike against vertical against vertical and the strike against vertical against ve strike against national unity.
Yet beneath the surface is an increasing wish in ranks of the Labour Party to back away from military conflict.

The Government itself also wants to negotiate and does not regard the long-term sovereignty of the islands as sacrosanct, provided the islanders consent to whatever is agreed. But it demands that the negotiations should start from a position that recognizes that aggression does not succeed, and acknowledges the rule of law.

realized from the start — that the naval expedition to the Falklands, in the age of the modern missile, could not be without significant risk. For the rest of the world, however, the sinking of the

Mr Healey is already showing signs of shifting with his reiterated emphasis on "proportionate" force and on negotiations; Mr Foot has throughout been acting against his own instincts in supporting the threat of military action. For a few however morable, for M. however, notably for Mr Peter Shore, there might be a real problem if Labour is

moment when they were hoping to take off in the local elections; as a prelude to becoming a third force in national politics with a chance of a decisive position in the next parliament.

Politics are thus moving towards polarization over the Falklands in parliament and siso probably in the country. Some of the country. Some of the consequences may be measurable in today's local elections. All the signs suggest that public opinion Politics are thus moving

sending the task force and to its subsequent use.

Mrs. Thatcher and her colleagues lose no opportunity of reminding the House of Commons that it sanctioned the sending of the task force—by which she means that all parties gave their approval.

That is correct, so far as it refers to party leaderships. But from the start a significant Labour minority has disliked the idear A few were opposed to the expedition outright Many more initially that at the last minute other task force of the sending of the support for the Government and attract the votes of people who dislike Labour's present to vote Tory. On the other hand, in its build-up before the Falklands crisis, the SDP had increasingly seemed to threat the votes of people who dislike Labour's present crisis is build-up before the Falklands crisis, the SDP had increasingly seemed to threat the votes of control of the force of the Falklands crisis, the SDP had attract the votes of control of the force of the Falklands crisis, the SDP had attract the votes of control of the force of

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The most the military risks have become clear, the more political centre is being reluctant many Labour MPs squeezed and that public have become to support the

The luck of Shiny Sheff

That the luck of HMS Sheffield was so swiftly and disastrously expunded in the south Atlantic is the more horrifying in view of the luck which proverbially attended her predecessor, the cruiser "Shiny Sheff" or "Old Shiner". In the Second World War she won 12 battle honours, and her crew swore she bore a

In one of many incidents, while she was with Force H hunting the Swordfish pilot came out of low cloud to see her rakish grey lines ploughing through the sea dead ahead. Mistakenly the young observer loosed his torpedoes, but the Shelfield's officer of the watch was wide awake, and ordered emergency evasive action. That still worked in those

days.
The torpedoes passed safely astern, and the cruiser steamed on through a career that included the explosion of a floating mine which blew a hole 40 feet by 20 feet in the port quarter, yet did not stop the ship reaching the repair base 1,000 miles away; surviving monstrous storms in the Arctic; and a head-on collision with another ship off North Africa which caused providentially few casualties.

Powerful words

When the Sheffield that was sunk entered service in 1975 Navy News announced that though she

was only half the size of her predecessor her scientific armoury made her "potentially more effective than a Second World War battleship".

Her electronic equipment could control any engagement, the official publication boasted, and her Sea Dart missile-defence system had greater capability than any in the world. "Performance, power and punch put HMS Sheffield among the leaders of the world's fighting ships", the article said. It is a most unhappy

A prize too late

From a more optimistic stage in the Falklands crisis comes this sea-salts' limerick composed by officers of HMS Sheffield and entered by them on behalf of their commanding officer, Cap-tain Sam Salt, in April's Harris Tweed limerick competition: "On the Falklands the Argen-

tines sat, Said Maggie, "We cannot have

When the fleet hove in sight, They were all put to flight By Sam Salt in his Harris Tweed hat!'

The limerick was signed by three of the ship's senior

They added that Captain Salt's hat size was 6% "and if by good fortune this should be judged a winning entry, it would be appreciated if the hat could be dispatched as soon as possible so that the intentions expressed in the fimerick may be carried out."

The entry was judged a winner. The hat was sent on Tuesday, alongside tortoise shells, sheep's only hours before Sheffield was skulls and piles of less.

THE TIMES DIARY



Our unemployed have missed a bike they might have jumped on A young unemployed blacksmith

Christiana, Denmark, has built up a thriving business within a year, reproducing the Dursley-Pedersen bicycles famous in Britain before the First World War. The Dursley-Pedersens were the invention of a Dane, Mikael Pedersen, but manufactured by R.

A. Lister and Co. at Dursley in Gloucestershire. Their advantages over contemporary "safety" machines were lightness and comfort, enhanced by a saddle which took the form of a string and canvas hammock slung between the front

Few of the bikes sold in Denmark, where Pedersen died a pauper in an old people's home in 1929, but the Danish output of reproductions is already up to 300

Lucky call

Today I offer a little more colour from my trip to Togo. A visit to the Chanaian border revealed that the local population pour into Togo to escape their own into Togo to escape their own troubled economy, shopping for everything from soap to cigarettes in a sprawling street market established for their benefit. The market's money changers will also exchange almost any currency, usually at favourable rates.

A mosque can be a primitive affair, made of breeze blocks and corrugated iron, but a colleague who tried to pray in it found there was nothing jerry-built about the mullah's convictions and got a ferocious lecture on religious propriety.

In the fetish market hundreds of dead birds, lizards and snukes lie warmly festering in the sun, skulls and piles of less-identifiable bones. PHS was

appropriately offered a telephone fetish, a piece of wood with some resemblance to the instrument, which the stallholder assured me would ensure good luck on my journey if I whispered into it. The devil-may-care attitudes of the local taxi-drivers persuaded me to do just that.

Parting shot.

The Victoria and Albert Museum is wondering which Hindu god it has offended. Shortly after the Indian Heritage exhibition of Mughal art opened, it was visited by an Indian religious fanatic carrying a flaring censer who declared that the show was sacrilegiously displaying religious objects in a secular When he was ejected he told-

the attendant: "I put a curse on your chief. I curse the exhibition."

and on Tuesday a visitor to the exhibition fell through the floor. though she was not hurt, the show had to be temporarily

Star-struck

Gaston Thorn, president of the European Commission, has the stars on his side in fending off tongue-in-cheek attacks from members of the European Parliament over the horoscope he commissioned last November from the French astrologist, Elizabeth Teissier du Cros. He adapted Shakespeare to answer Janey Buchan, Labour MEP for Glasgow. "The fault,

honourable member, is not in the stars but in ourselves, that we are underlings", he has told her. And assuring the Conservative MEP for Bristol, Richard Cottrell, that there could be no heavenly answer to Europe's problems, Thorn quoted a proverb: "The man who gazes at the stars is at the mercy of the puddles in the road."

Big scorers

While Kent's 616 for six declared against Oxford University sent cricket statisticians scurrying to discover that a county team had not scored over 600 runs since 1949, the tally shrinks when compared with other first-class matches.

Victoria, which scored 1059 against Tasmania in Melbourne in 1922-23, punished New South Wales for 1107 at the same exhibition."

Wates for 1107 at the same Within days the V & A's chief ground four seasons later, warden had sprained his ankle, Hutton's 364 against Australia at



the Oval helped to a total of 903 for seven declared, the highest Ever made in this country. Hutton's county, Yorkshire, hold the record outside Test matches 887 against Warwickshire at - 887 against wat wood Birmingham in 1896.

First collection

My former editor, William Rees-Mogg today publishes his first handsome catalogue of the stock of his antiquarian bookshop, Pickering & Chatto, which moved to Pall Mall in March

As anybody who knows his predilections would guess, it is particularly strong in eighteenthcentury Eng. Lit. Rare treasures such as the first edition of Tristram Shandy and the 1557

edition of Sir Thomas More's Workes have been rebound in the Pickering house style of olive or dark green straight grained morocco, with, on the spine, William Pickering's own version of the Aldine Anchor and Dolphin device.

In his foreword Rees-Mogg reassures his customers: "I am an active proprietor and my wife is an active director. How different, how very different from the hurly-burly of life in our own dear Street of Shame.

Rail in vain

I have bad news for readers who have complained to me that Apsley. House's fine wrought-iron Lates and railings at Hyde Park Corner have been painted lurid green. They are going to stay that way, because that is how the first Duke of Wellington originally liked them.

The colour, which I much prefer to the former prosaic black, does sit a little uncomfortably with the harsher modern green used on neighbouring street furniture. It is authenticated by the Victoria and Albert Museum, which is supervising restorations for the Department

the Environment In the 18th and early 19th centuries London was a more colourful place partly because it. was the fashion to paint railings brightly. If they next decide to paint the railings along Constitution Hill bright blue, I shall not complain, though you might

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WILLING THE MEANS

Strategy, as Mr Pym told the Course of defending Commons yesterday, must be our zone we have inflicted seen as a whole. It is not a casualties against our attackers, and suffered them. Falklands crisis that we want; nor an economic solution, nor a military solution. It is a solution; and we are having to use all three means to achieve. it. What weight any one of those means is given at any time depends on the circumstances, and the circumstances depend on many factors outside our control. Nothing that has yet occurred in this crisis can justify the accusation against the Government that it is seeking a military, and only a military solution. Argentina, on the other hand, has by its behaviour shown that it has no great interest in diplomacy, so that diplomatic means have so far not achieved very much except under the additional stimulus of military pressure.
Moreover, the economic
means, though long on declaration and intention, are woefully short on immediate effect — and even shorter now that some fair weather friends in the EEC are considering lifting their sanc-tions almost before they had imposed them.

The solution we seek is the withdrawal of Argentine forces from the Island. That has become paramount in the short term, since no other medium or longer term permutation about sovereignty, administration, interim arrangements, or self-deterinterim mination has any meaning without it. There has been no sign that such a withdrawal is likely through diplomacy. The sad and painful conclusion must be that such a withdrawal, or a better inclination to negotiate such a withdrawal, can only be made. more likely by military pressure.

The purpose of British military strategy has therefore been to secure this withdrawal, with tactics at all times conditioned by the doctrine of minimum force. That involved imposing a quarantine round the Islands, not only to prevent the invading forces from being further strengthened after the supply and resupply of the last four weeks, but also to he invas and occupation is an unnatu-ral and illegal state of affairs, which must therefore be. temporary, and soon terminated.

The quarantine at sea and in the air - the total exclusion zone - has to be maintained. All British action so far has clearly been taken to achieve that objective, and to protect our forces against attacks intended to prevent them from achieving it. This has meant defending ourselves against attack, and, as Mr. Nott observed yesterday, it would be inconceivable that the Government's rules of engagement for commanders inhibited them from such defensive action, as, for in-stance, was required in the engagement with the General Belgrano.

Suddenly the whole atmosphere of the crisis has changed. The flag waving and the fanfare are no longer part of the fun. It is a sad reflection on the television assumes a kind of plasticity an unrealness - which tends to immunise us from the idea of violence, but not from its awful reality when that breaks out on the television screen. Thus the studio discussions, the sea charts and the sand tables, all have a reassuring feeling to them which is only belied by the dark horror of maimed bodies floating helplessly on moun-tainous and icy seas. These are the pictures which never come until it is too late.

This shock came upon the House of Commons yesterday and the night before as the details of British casualties were announced. It will percolate more widely to the public, though whether the same sense of shock is reflected in voting patterns at today's local elections will only be evident when the results are declared.

There is a sense in which the age of deterrence and the abolition of conscription have deprived the British people of the means to understand the facts of their own security. Deterrence is not a state of affairs which can be secured on the cheap; and the cost cannot just be financial. Yet for 25 years the British people have been lulled by their leaders into willing the ends of deterrence - peace without willing the means, which are a continuous involvement in, and possible sacrifice for, the cause of peace.

Until 1968 no year had passed since the war in which a British serviceman had not died for his country; there was only a twelve month lull. In the Mau Mau emergency 26 men died, in Suez 17, in dicial decision. The third is Borneo 62 (including gurthat the Islanders' views and khas), in the Malayan emerg-wishes must be fully reency 525. Since troops were spected in the final settlemembers of the Ulster De- into, accepting either Argenfence Regiment. We are now time sovereignty or any faced with casualties in the of Argentine control. South Atlantic. Our task force was sent there for a purpose, not just to assist diplomacy by looking nice on television reens and sounding nice in politicians' speeches. It was sent there to do a dangerous job, since danger is its business. It is too late now to regret the discovery that violence begets violence, and that we may all have to suffer in the struggle to see that violence does not get an

undue reward. If the task force had been sent out to the Falklands with a limited casualty label stuck on its sterns, what would that figure have been, one? two? twenty? thirty? three hun community. That freedom of dred? These figures are not action for our own people, for calculable, any more than all people,— that freedom they were when Britain must remain our objective.

In the course of defending undertook other security our zone we have inflicted commitments at home or casualties against our abroad. The defence of vital interests, be they principles, citizens, or sovereignty, cannot be so precisely and actuarialy assessed if it is to have any real validity as a basis of national policy.

The question now is: how does the Government proceed from here? The first necessity is to continue our attempts to secure a total exclusion zone against the attacks of Argentine aircraft and ships. This may mean a contraction in the perimeter of the zone, to provide fewer chances for Argentine attack by mainlandbased aircraft; But the zone must clearly be kept intact, and made more secure in time for the arrival of the land forces within the next two weeks. At that stage, if there has been no break through in negotiations, the Government will have to establish and augment a land presence in the Islands. Of that there can be no doubt.

But there may have been negotiations by then. Mr Pym yesterday spoke favourably about the prospect of a trusteeship status for the Falklands Islands under United Nations auspices. The House, or most of it, felt reassured at this prospect at the end of the negotiating process; but it is that process itself which still baffles statesmen.

Whatever longer term arrangement can be made for the Islanders' security there are certain factors which constitute an irreducible minimum to the British position. The first is that nothing can be done without a preliminary Argentine withdrawal, and no negotiations entered into which do not provide for that withdrawal. The second is that the question of British sovereignty against the Argentine claims; cannot be conceded or negotiated; it can only be frozen pending jusent to Northern Ireland in ment. After this invasion, it is 1969 351 regular servicemen inconceivable that they would have died and another 122 opt for, or could be pressured

> So we are back in a difficult phase of our strategy to achieve a solution which is consistent with those principles, as with the overriding principle that illegal acts of international violence must not be condoned or compromised with. The basis of strategy is the struggle for freedom of action. The invasion pinned us down, and pressurised us into accepting it. Our response has restored our freedom to challenge the invasion and has prevented it being accepted by the Islanders, by the British nation as a whole, even by the world all people - that freedom -

DOCK THREAT ONLY DEFERRED

all the recent months of rising unemployment and closing factories, one group of workers has survived in perfect security. Registered dock workers are virtually immune from lay-off or dismissal, and if the company that employs them shuts down other employers in the same port are obliged find jobs for them, whether or not there is any competitors across the Chanwork for them to do. To relieve the gross overmanning that inevitably results, terms for voluntary severance are so attractive that more than 4,500 out of a labour force of 20,000 accepted them last year, in spite of all the uncertainties of life in the world outside the dock gate.
It is this comfortable state
of affairs that the dockers would like to compel the Government to extend to the smaller ports which were left out of the statutory National Dock Labour Scheme in 1976. A soft answer from the Government has led the negotiators to put off a clash which would inevitably be profoundly damaging to the economy. But the threat is only deferred: the Govern-

ment will hardly be able to look favourably on a proposal

government flinched from as

too radical. Short of naval

blockade, no surer mean can

be imagined of hurrying the

ports outside the scheme into

the same kind of malaise that

dismal performance of the

Labour

which even the

ports involved. London and Liverpool, Bristol and the Clyde, would in any case have suffered sharply for geographical and technological reasons in the past few years. But the extra burden of overmanning and the reluc-tance of the labour force to allow the ports to adapt to new methods of cargo handling developed by our nel have hastened the decline.

Felixstowe, the most suc-cessful of the non-scheme ports, has risen from small beginnings to seventh place nationally in terms of ton-nage. This is partly because of its favourable position for the growing trade with the EEC, but the greater flexi-bility of its handling methods has been a more important factor. With some goods it can undercut the Port of London by 20 per cent. In the many much smaller ports the inflexibility and bureaucracy of the scheme's rules would be even more damaging to Although competitiveness. earnings at Felixstowe are slightly lower than the average, expansion has made it possible to raise pro-ductivity without causing redundancies, and even the high rewards of scheme membership have not induced its workers to show much eagerness to join.

For all their protection, registered dockers cannot afflicts most of the ports that look on the withering of their are members. The scheme, home ports entirely without and the restrictive practices misgivings. Major gains in exclusively to blame for the edly agreed both on Mersey-dismal performance of the side and in Hull in recent

months. Dockers can claim that the scheme, introduced to end the harsh exploitation of casual labour before the war, has made it possible for the labour force to shrink from 80,000 in 1947, when the scheme began, to 18,000 today. Since the pact which followed the national dock strike ten years ago, the contraction has accelerated at relatively small cost in stoppages. The advance of containerization is expected by some observers to make a further drop to the 10,000 necessary by 1984.

Dockers have been pressing intermittently since 1976 for the extension of the scheme to other ports and to container depots within five miles of a registered port — the TGWU threatened industrial action over the latter only last May. The dockers claim that Felixstowe enjoys an unfair advantage by avoiding the levy paid by member ports to finance the scheme, and that its success harmfully heightens the tendency of business to slip away from ports in the north and west. If there is any substance in the first any substance in the list argument, it can be met without imposing the full burden of the scheme on Felixstowe. The second simply identifies the effects of the inefficiency that the scheme has inflicted on members. It is worth paying a certain price for peace in the industry, and the price of the dock labour scheme is already very heavy. Hobbling success-

ful ports to allow the unsuc-

cessful ones to catch up would be far too high an

additional price.

James Hanratty was convicted

As to the matter of rape, that been it might have been ex-tremely difficult for the Crown to persuade the jury to convict. These are detailed matters with which one would have expected a lawyer interested in the question of capital punishment to be

ve governments which

the amateur blunders by success-

It is devoutly to be hoped that

wiser counsels will now prevail, and that a wiser man will soon be charged with reordering our defence priorities to accord realistically with our Nato obli-

gations.

This would, as an important bonus, enable us to continue to play the part for which history and apritude make us particularly

entire Atlantic, together with suitable bases. The Falkland

suitable bases. The Falkland Islands, South Georgia and Simonstown are good examples. Quite apart from the long-term

significance of mineral and other

resources in Antarctica, most of the free world depends upon the movement of shipping, including oil super-tankers, around the capes. Argentinian aggression

demonstrates the extreme vulner-

demonstrates the extreme valuer-ability of these trade routes and that NATO defences could be as easily by-passed today as the Maginot line in 1940. We must not let a relatively minor indepen-dent dictatorship distract us from

the far greater menace of those striving for global dictatorship of the Communist variety.

Because many Central and South American states could be unreliable allies, through their

proneness to unstable undemo-cratic regimes or their flirtation

with Cuba, and because most European countries are even more dependent upon oil imports than we are, there is a good reason for their direct partici-

pation in a new SATO or ATO. For too long we have dithered over the Falkland Islands and

dependencies. Now, I suggest, is the time to plan their future, following the withdrawal of

Argentine forces, in the context

of global strategy and take positive action jointly with our true friends in Europe, Canada

edly condemned by the United

but the European response

exhibits a clear example of double standards. In the case of

the Falkland Islands, it is firmly

stated that a country must be supported against an illegal invader and that a people's right

to self-determination must be upheld. In the case of East Timor, these rights are apparently expendable, as is the

As world opinion is being mobilized to support the Falkland

Islanders, we reaffirm the con-clusion you drew about East Timor that a "solution based on

negotiations and the free choice of the inhabitants is urgently needed and the international community, particularly those countries which have close econ-

omic and military ties with Indonesia, including Britain, should make much more serious effort to achieve one".

country's population.

Yours faithfully,

FENNER BROCKWAY.

JOAN MAYNARD, DOROTHY M NEEDHAM, JOSEPH NEEDHAM, STAN NEWENS,

Quite apart from this there are very serious questions arising from the evidence of identifi-

cation that cast grave doubt upon Hanraity's guilt, Ironically, if the trial had proceeded under inquisi-

torial rather than accusatorial rules, some of these doubts could have been before the jury.

Professor of Social Institutions

in the University of London, The London School of Economics and Political Science,

Women in the ministry

Sir, The Warden of Latimer House speaks of logic (letters, April 27). The logic of his position seems to be that priesthood is a masculine role which is "faked" by the ordination of the priesthood.

women. But that is the essential

The Anglican churches agreed "to respect each other's discipline in this matter." While this must mean that those who do

ordain women should not force them on those who don't, should

it not also mean that those who

that those who do actually know what they are doing? Yours faithfully,

JOHN M. COURT.

Krynes College,

April 27.

The University, Canterbury, Kent.

Faculty of Humanities.

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written on the

8a Treport Street, SW18.

AVEBURY.

B C BUTLER.

ALF LOMAS,

have been v Hanratty case).

Yours faithfully,

TERENCE MORRIS,

Houghton Street, WC2.

From Dr J.M. Court

question.

BOB EDWARDS

RUSSELL KERR

The invasions are analogous

and the United States.

Yours faithfully,

Drumlanrig Castle, Thornhill,

BUCCLEUCH,

Dumfries-shire.

suitable, in deterring all gression whether within outside the Nato area.

I am, and remain, Sir,

your obedient servant, HILL-NORTON,

South Nutfield, Surrey,

King's Mill House.

Queensberry

urgent now.

Defence priorities 'lie with Nato' From Admiral of the Fleet Lord

Sir, It appears from his laboured attempt to defend Mr Nott's disastrous defence policy that David Watt (feature, April 30) shares the Defence Secretary's almost total inability to under-stand what Mr Watt miscalls "European priorities". There are, of course, no such priorities for Britain, or any other European power, which belongs to the Nato

Nato's priorities have led her Majesty's Government of both political parties, with the unanimous approval of all our Nato allies, so to order our military contribution that Britain has, for 25 years, provided 70 per cent of the Nato maritime forces on the Eastern Atlantic, Norwegian and North Seas. This has absorbed 10 per cent of our defence budgets. No other ally, including the United States, can replace these highly efficient and specialized forces which Mr Nott announced last June would be cut by a third. He has since compounded this folly by announcing that naval manpower would be cut by 15 per cent, and the vital dockyard support for the whole fleet by about 25 per cent.

It is a palpable illusion to suppose that any money saved by this major and irreplaceable reduction in Nato's maritime defences (upon which any suc-cessful land/air operations in Europe wholly depend) can be usefully employed, as Mr Watt puts it, "to protect (further) north-west Europe, and most of all these islands," For no less than 40 per cent of our defence

budget we are now providing just 10 per cent of the allied forces deployed in Germany.

Any increment which could be paid for by even half the navy vote would increase these forces by perhans one armouved division. by perhaps one armoured division and one squadron of Tornado aircraft.

Does anybody, except Mr Nott (and Mr Watt), suppose that this would really make any difference at all to the Soviet perception of our conventional deterrent or the nuclear threshold?

None of these hard facts has anything to do with a preoccu-pation with historic delusions of maritime grandeur, or with an attempt "to restore large global capabilities". It is, nevertheless, certain that had the humiliating seizure of the Falklands occurred after the Defence Secretary's ill conceived intentions had taken effect, no military option would have been available to the

Government.

It is equally certain that no other country, including the super-powers, could have salled this "rapid deployment force" so could have salled this "rapid deployment force" so could have salled this "rapid deployment force" so consolidate as a smoothly Indeed quickly or so smoothly. Indeed, the brilliant professional efficiency with which the navy and the dockyards mounted this

East Timor invasion

From Lord Avebury and others Sir, The speed with which the governments of Europe have acted in concert to apply economic, political, and military sanctions against the Argentinian Government since its illegal occupation of the Falkland Islands is remarkable. It merits comparison with their response to a recent and very similar military occupation of another European colony.

Like Argentina, the military Government of Indonesia invaded the Portuguese colony of East the Fortiguese colony of East Timor, in December, 1975. Since then, as you noted in your editorial, "Horror in East Timor" on February 24, "it is estimated that more than 100,000 people have died, either directly as a result of military operations or from consequent famine and disease, out of a population of only about 670,000". They were all, by law, Portuguese colonial subjects.

The Timorese have repeatedly pleaded for sanctions against indonesia, as have the Portuguese, but none has been forthcoming in six and a half years of brutal war. Indeed, governments such as our own have assisted the Indonesian military by supplying them with aircraft to facilitate their illegal occupation, repeat-

Hanratty case

From Professor Terence Morris

Sir, In the course of his article which you published on April 27, Mr Nicholas Fairbairn makes two serious errors of fact. These are especially surprising when they are made by a former law officer of the Crown.

He says "...look at the case of Hanratty. He unintentionally shot Michael Gregsten when he suot michaet Gregsten when he turned suddenly in the car."
"... after Gregsten's death he raped Valerie Storie at gun point and emptied his gun into her body in order to eradicate her evidence..."

at Bedford Assizes on February 17, 1962, of the capital murder of Michael Gregsten. The trial which incidentally lasted 21 days established a record in English established a record in English legal history for a murder trial. It was no part of the Crown's case that he unintentionally shot Gregsten; had it been otherwise the indictment could not have been for capital murder. The victim was shot twice in the head at point-blank range; so close in fact that the entry and exit fact that the entry and exit wounds could only be dis-tinguished by the closest obser-

was never proceeded with. Had it familiar. (Two important books

From Professor Bernard Crick Sir, Those who think of themselves as purely practical often make huge and uncritical assumptions and pluck deadly

ence is the breakdown of political power, not its extension. "Power", she said, "is acting in concert", presumably acting with and upon one's friends and allies. not going it alone out of pride or not going it alone out of pride or miscalculated strength. The worst thing about violence, quite apart from killing people, is that its effects are so unpredictable and uncontrollable.

Violence can be justified if, among other conditions, its means are proportional to the ends and if these ends are clear and realizable. With the sinking of the Belgrano and now of the

From the Duke of Buccleuch and Sir, May I repeat a proposal I made in the House of Commons over 10 years ago? Regrettably, it fell on mainly deaf ears then, but the Falklands crisis makes it more obviously pertinent and of the Belgrano and now of the Sheffield we have lost any proportionality and the aims have never been made clear beyond "punishing aggression" or "getting the Argentine out", which everyone knows to be only part of a settlement. It was for the creation of a South Atlantic Treaty Organiza-tion (SATO) or else for the extension of NATO to cover the

of a settlement.
In politics and diplomacy one's hand is not always shown, but in war if the aims are not clear, not merely is justification prejudiced but also control of the actual combatants.

What are the official aims? We too seem to have made a non-negotiable, nationalistic god of (if it is still any use at all) the narrowly legal doctrine of sover-eignty which may define what one may do but does not define what one can or should do.

Invocation of "sovereignty" as a principle actually limits our power by tying our hands in politics and diplomacy. In terms of "sovereignty" the problem is, like Northern Ireland, insoluble; but there are times when we actually have more collective power without sovereignty, as the

islanders" is more promising, if taken, indeed, alongside our own real interests and those of the Argentinians. Edmund Burke, speaking of the doctrine of sovereignty, cried out to Lord North in his great speech "On Conciliation with America", "I care not if you have a right to make them miserable, have you not an interest to make them not an interest to make them happy?" We can hardly make even the Falkland islanders happy by atavistic routes of patriotic death when our last shreds of power lie in our reputation for diplomatic and political skill.

Real power lay is more lied.

Real power lay in working with our allies in concert, as through the EEC and by mounting pressure on the USA to control its other allies, not in a hollow show of strength that has only exposed (a) our lack of it and (b)

BERNARD CRICK, Sociology, Birkbeck College, Malet Street, WC1.

From Mr Anthony Ramsay Sir, As the storm gathers in the South Atlantic and within the two countries contending for the islands there, we can bear in mind that, alongside all the factors that have gone to make the situation what it currently is, there always remains at the same

forces from the immediate area at any time, to indicate that the search for a settlement means more to us than a military

to have committed themselves, and the nation they presently govern, upon a course of oppos-ing British arms despite the latter's superiority, there is presented the likelihood of growing bloodshed.

The political situation in Argentina is not of the happiest.

War, the breakdown of politics

principles from stale air.

War is not an extension of diplomacy by other means, as Clausewitz taught. Rather, as Hannah Arendt suggests, viol-

formation of the EEC shows. "The interests of the Falkland

violence.
It is both morally wrong and political folly to bluff and gamble with people's lives.

Yours sincerely. Department of Politics and May 5.

time the option of peace.

Having delivered a series of military blows to Argentina, it is possible for us to withdraw our victory.

Now that the junta can be seen

either in regard to individual political freedom or, as now, over

access to important public information. There is also the possibility that the occupation of the Falklands occurred as a national attention diverser. Thus the internal difficulties of the country may be the cause of the international crisis.

If, however, Argentina is in any real sense a divided nation, it may be out of place to moralize our way into a position of

our way into a position of inflexibility over her aggression upon the islands. This would be unreasonable on our part. This is not to advocate immediate with-drawal by Britain from the seas around the islands, but rather to point out that this peaceable option, as a matter of fact, always remains with us and should not be lost sight of at whatever stage. Inflexibility, resolve, failure of nerve and discretion are names which can blind us to this important fact. Otherwise a true and just peace becomes all too elusive if striven for solely by

might of arms.

Part of the same nightmare is finding oneself hemmed in by considerations linked only to the logic of a closed situation, sure sign of which is repeatedly meditating "how we got our-selves in this fix". A nightmare is indeed under way and we should therefore take care to see it as such before becoming completely swamped in it.

Yours sincerely. ANTHONY RAMSAY. 6 Redcliffe Square, SW10. May 4.

From Mr W. O. Cole Sir, Now, surely, the time has come for our Government to assume the diplomatic initiative

in the Falklands crisis.

It should do this, first, because it, as potential "victor", should be magnanimous. Secondly, in a spirit of realism it should realize that for General Galtieri to sue for peace would be to guarantee his deposition and perhaps death. He must, therefore, continue to fight. If he is replaced it will probably cause greater political

unrest in South America and possibly a communist govern-ment in the Argentine, to the disadvantage of Britain. If politics is the art of the possible we might offer the following realistic terms: 1 Argentinian sovereignty in the year 2000.

UN trusteeship in the interim. British administration to 1990 followed by a joint British-Argen-tinian council to 2000.

4 British-Argentinian ation in the economic develop-ment of the Falklands and in the resettlement of any islanders who wish to leave before 1990. These suggestions may not be

instantly attractive, but solutions which seek to preserve the status quo with an enlarged navy and 3,000 troops permanently sta-tioned outside Port Stanley must e rejected as musory.

When, after the crisis, we begin to apportion blame we will, I hope, exonerate Lord Carrington realizing that he was but following the policy of successive governments, which foliad to governments which failed to realize that Gibraltar, Belize, the Falklands and other outposts of empire must look to their future in Spain, Central America, and the Argentine, not in England. This lesson I am sure the Falklanders have learned. Others,

including ourselves, must.. Yours faithfully, W. OWEN COLE, 134 Worcester Road, Chichester. May 4.

Parliamentary spies

From Mr Philip F. Nind Sir, With activities in the South Atlantic moving towards outright war, we must assume the possi-

war, we must assume the possibility of secret sessions in the House of Commons.

By contrast with the Second World War, the "spying of strangers" must now take into account all the electronic equipment installed for the broadcast ing of parliament. May we be assured that an infallible cut-off point has already been installed? Yours faithfully, PHILIP NIND,

Travellers' Club, Pall Mall, SW1. May 4.

Worship and doctrine From the Reverend K.N. Bowler

Sir, With reference to Mr Frank Field's letter (April 16), I would be glad if he could go on and describe "the advantages (to the Church of England) of being the established Church". After 20 years as a parish priest I have been trying to

If he thinks it is the funds and the power of the Church Commissioners, I think he is mis-

discover them.

taken. Our inability to deploy men and money where they are needed rather than where there is a building is but one example. The legal rights given to any parishioner irrespective of faith, belief, or practice means that many parish clergy spend too much time with non-church members and non-essentials. We have reduced Christian

we have reduced Christian sacraments to the level of social tradition, or at best "folk religion" for many people. They provide few pastoral opportunities. The truth is that establishment, and I support it, offers more to the state and social fabric than it offers the Church. Church.

The established Church strengthens the position of the monarchy with the obligations placed on the Archbishop for coronation and other official tasks all to the benefit of the state. The estab-lished Church identifies one area of life that is specifically English 1 Clevedor and gives a focus to the local Sid Road, community. How often are we fold by politicans that "the Devon. Church can help in this area"? April 28.

This usually means a service that someone will do for nothing.

Few of us would cling to the establishment for the Church's

establishmment for the Church's sake. Any attempt by Parliament to start interfering with matters of worship, belief and doctrine will lead to disestablishment.

As it is, we in the Church of England lead a double life; the combilished church role with all established church role with all the trappings where membership is by accident of birth; and the worshipping church, the faithful gathered together week by week, committed in worship and Christian living.

Yours faithfully. KENNETH BOWLER, St. Mary's Vicarage, 9 Hatton Road, Bedfont, Feltham. April 17.

Name dropping

From Mr Jack Hobbs

Sir, Mr John Cope (April 28) includes my name in his list of allegedly un-Christian names. He may like to know, Sir, that I was christened Jack in church, and that this is the name on my birth certificate.
In addition; when signing my

name (in Latin) on my College roll, there was no objection to the form "Jackus". I am. Sir. Yours faithfully, JACK HOBBS. t Clevedon. Sid Road,



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE March 5: The Queen and the Royal Transition of Edinburgh arriver, in Victoria Station, Manches and the Royal Transition of the Victoria Station, Mancheing and the Royal Train this morning and the Lord Mayor Council (County Council County of the Lity of Manchester (Councillor Hugh Lee).

Her Majesty, with His Royal-Hichness, visited the new Greater Manchester Museum of Science

Highness, visited the new Greater Museum of Science and Industry at Liverpool Road, wired an Exhibition and uncelled a commemorative plaque. Afterwards Her Majesty and His Royal Highness walked

through the permanent set location of Granada Television's programme Coronation Street and, escorted by the Chairman (Sir Denis Forman), met mem-hers of the cast and production

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were then received at Manchester Town Hall by the Manchester Jown Hall by the Lord Mayor.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness drove to the John Rylands University Library, where The Queen opened the new extension by unveiling a commencerative planue.

new extension by unveiling a commemorative plaque.
The Duke of Edinburgh mer members of the Cotton and Allied Trades Joint Committee
The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, later honoured the Chancellor of Manchester University (the Duke of Devonshire), the Chairman of the County Council and the Lord Mayor with her presence at luncheon in the Whitworth Hall.
This afternoon The Oucen and

Whitworth Hall.

This afternoon The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh visited the Manchester University Department of Urology at Withington Hospital and met members of the Hospital and University Staffs, Research Staff and Students, escorted by Professor Norman Blacklock (Department of Urology) and Professor John of Urology) and Professor John Evanson (Dean of the Medical

School).
Her Majesty and his Royal Highness later left Manchester Intensional Airport in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight.
The Countess of Airlie, Mr Robert Fellowes, Mr Warwick Hutchings and Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance.

attendance.
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, this morning opened and toured the new Art Centre at Canford School, Wimborne Minster and was received upon arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Dorset (Colone)

and sucrwards laid the Foundarien Stone of he College of Art and Design, Dorset Institute of Incher Education, Wallisdown, Foole,

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Patron of the Riding for the Disabled Association, this afternoon visited the Bryanston Group at the Deer Park Riding Stables, Whitecliffe, Hill Street, Blandford.

Her Royal Highness, attended by the Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

CLARENCE HOUSE
May 5: Queen Elizabeth The
Queen Mother this afternoon
visited the Young Women's
Christian Association Central
Club to mark its Golden Jubilee.
Lady Jean Raphin and Castolin

Lady Jean Rankin and Captain Alastair Aird were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE

May 5: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon this evening opened the new Theatre Royal in Plymouth.

Her Royal Highness was later entertained at Dinner at the Council House by the Lord Mayor of Plymouth (Councillor Ralph Morrell).

The Princets Margaret.

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The Princess Margaret,
Countess of Snowdon, who
travelled in an aircraft of The
Queen's Flight, was attended by Lady Anne Tennant.

KENSINGTON PALACE
May 5: The Duke of Gloucester
this morning opened the new
Administrative Headquarters of
the Ramsbury Building Society,
Marlborough. In the afternoon
His Royal Highness visited
Seymour Court, Burhage
(Sheltered Housing Complex) and
later opened Bartlett House,
Ludgershall (—wiltshire County
Council Home for Elderly
People). His Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's

Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance. The Duchess of Gloucester was present this afternoon at the Annual Meeting of the Arah Women's Council at the Islamic Cultural Centre. In the evening Her Royal Highness as Patron of Counsel and Care for the Elderly fwas present at a Fashion Show organized by Marks and Spencer Ltd in aid of the Counsel at Fairfield Hall, Croydon. Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in attendance.

A memorial service for Dr Alfred Spinks will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, today at 11.30.

A memorial service for Mr Alfred Fairbank will be held at St Bride's, Fleet Street, today at noon. A service of thanksgiving for the

Sir Joseph Weld).
Her Royal Highness was later Her Royal Highness was later life of Mr J. B. Martin is to be entertained at luncheon at Dorset held in Excter Cathedral on Institute of Higher Education Saturday, May 8, at moon.

Latest wills

Mrs Pearl Weyl, of Golders Green, London, left estate valued Green, London, left estate valued at £334,407 net. After several small bequests she left £500 and a fifth of the residue each to the lewish Blind Society, Home for Aged Jews, the Jewish Association for the Physically Handicapped, London, Shaare Zedak Hospital, Jerusalem, and the Importal Capital, Perusalem, and Imperial Cancer Research Fund. Other estates include thet, before tax paid): Lush. Mr George James of

Fordingbridge, Hampshire

Fennycuick, Sir John, of Temple,
London, former Vice-Chancelor,
Chancery Division of the High Robeson, Miss Joan Gwynedd, of

Woolmen's Company The following have been elected officers of the Woolmen's Company for the ensuing year: Master: Mr Arthur Hollis; Upper Warden: Mr W. A. Hoadley; Under Warden: Mr R. E. Auld.

Memorial service Viscount Chaplin

A memorial service for Viscount Chaplin was held yesterday at Chelsea Old Church. The Rev C. E. Leighton Thomson officiated Mr Peter Myers read from "Afterwards" by Thomas Hardy "The Facrie Queene" by Edmund Spenser and from the works of Christina Rossetti. Among those present were: Viscouniess Chaptio in Idom to Mr and the Rou Mr. B Curran i son-in-law and

Wheatiev.

Viscouniess Sandon, the Hun Mrs Forbes Adam, the Dowager Lidy Dashwood, Sir Mariyo, and the Hun Lidy Berkell, Mr Charles Littson and the Countiess of Superland, Mrs Powers, Mr and Mrs James Lees-Miller, Mr Douglas Dryberg, Mr William Bell, Mrs W. Thomas Fenre Hess. Mrs Haden, Mr Burnel Paylit, Mrs K. Barber-Mill, Mr E. B. Boothby, Mr Chiever Davies, Mr John Arals Mrs H. Wolfer, Mrs P. Calchpole, Mrs H. Wolfer, Mrs P. Calchpole, Mrs H. Wolfer, Mrs P. Calchpole, Mrs H. Hoare Miss Sagnew Miss I facked in the Toolman and Mr Erasmus Barley (Toodman and Mr Erasmus Barley Caolinghas) Mrs P. Calchpole, Mrs H. Sander eppessonling the Privident of the Zoolinghas I Society of London) with inther members of the Society.



In this week's issue

John Bayley: Allusion in poetry

Thomas Nagel: Can ethics be objective?

Conor Cruise O'Brien on Camus

R. A. Butler's 'Art of Memory'

Clive James's criticism

Lord Carver on Alanbrooke

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Mr Willie Carson, the jockey, yesterday after his marriage to Miss Elaine Williams. a farmer's daughter, at Chester register office. He later won one of the big races of the day at Chester, the Cheshire Oaks.

The engagement is announced between Roger, elder son of the late Mr John Densham and Mrs Dorothy Densham, of Martin, Hampshire, and Clare, younger daughter of Captain W. R. M. Winkley, of Gable House, Woottom Rivers, Marlsborough, Wiltshire.

Forthcoming marriages

The engagement is announced hetween Alexander Michael Nall, The Royal Green Jackets younger son of Sir Michael and Lady Nall, of Hoveringham Hall, hear Nottingham, and Caroline
Jane, younger daughter of Mr
and Mrs Anthony Robinson, of
Little Court, Blagdon, near
Bristol.

Mr D. G. Coaten and Miss S Rekelj

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs Arthur Coaten, of Weybridge Sacha, only daughter of the Luc Mr Bernard Rekelj and of Mrs A Rekelj, of Pont Street, London, 5W J. Mr R. L. Constant

and Mrs E. J. Lloyd

The marriage will take place shortly between Richard Constant, of Crewkerne, Somerset, and Elerabeth Lloyd thee Blameys, of Wooburn Green, Buckinghamshire.

and Miss J. K. J. Maugham The engagement is announced between Terry, younger son of Mr and Mrs John Jordan, of Macclesfield. Cheshire, and Joanna, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Maugham, of White Gables, Prestbury, Cheshire.

Luncheon

Rotary Club of London
The president, Mr Douglas Smee, and members of the Rotary Club of London entertained Mrs Elizabeth Browning, chairman of the Association for All Speech Impaired Children, at luncheon at the Cafe Royal yesterday.

Dinners

Corporation of London The Cornoration of London gave

a dinner at the Mansion-House yesterday in honour of the Lord Mayor of Helsinki and Mrs Haskivi. The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their escorts, received the guests. Among those present were:

present were:

Mr Gunnar Smeds, Mr Harl Sormanen,
the Finnish Anthassador and ManTutterman, Hie Norwegian Ambas-aeder and Mrs Busch, Lord and Lady
Anchand, Lund and Lady Semiet, Lord
and Lady Greenbill of Harrow, SirJames and Lady Bicherits, Sir Peter
and Lady Mengles, Sir Gharles and Lady
Troughton Sir James and Lady
Duman, Sir John Burgh, Members of
Parliament, members of the Finnish
Embassy, representatives of Finland
resident to London, and of the ristl
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officers of life Corporation of London
and their failure.

Inner Temple
The Lard Chancellor was entertained at dinner by the Treasurer, Sir Alan Mocatta, and Masters of the Bench of the finer Temple last night, the Grand Day of Easter Term. Other guests included:

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Lord Benning Master of the Rolls;
Lord Bellengers Lord Rock B. Sir
Lord Willemores Lord Rock B. Sir
Lord Willemores Lord Rock B. Sir
Lord Willemore Ser Jabo Armold
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Begins Today! The Publishing Sensation of the Decade

Only in Moreover.

The store so far... Miles Kington, who runs a small

column situated in a pretty, secluded part of The Times,

receives a visit from a publisher who wishes him to

scrialize The Wit and Wisdom of Henry Kissinger. Under questioning, the publisher admits that the book consists

merely of jokes taken from Mr Kissinger's interviews

and broadcasts and therefore

out of copyright, but insists

that they are good enough for the column,

offer, Mr Kington receives a

secret call from someone claiming to be called Des-mond Morris, who has dis-

covered the origins of the

human sexual impulse. Apparently sex springs from the

even more primitive urge to

play football. Yes, apparently

football came first. Amazing,

isn't it? Anyway, it would the in pretty well with the World

Cup, especially if British

While mulling over this

Mr W. R. Earp and Miss J. C. Woodhouse

Mr W. R. A. Densham and Miss C. Winkley

and Mass J. C. Woodnouse
The engagement is announced between William, only son of Mr and Mrs Leonard Earp, of Priory Farmhouse, Willmington, and Jennifer, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Coventry Woodhouse, of Summerfield, Square Drive, Kingsley Green, near Haslemere.

Mr. R. L. Fookes and Miss A. L. C. Barker The engagement is announce The engagement is announced between Robert Lawrence, eldest son of the Rev R. M. and Mrs Fookes of The Vicarage, Wotton-under-Edge. Gloucestershire and Alice Louise Charlotte, daughter of Mr and Mrs George Barker, of The Rookery, Wilby, Eye, Suffolk.

Suffolk. Mr A. J. Macoherson and Miss A. L. F. Barford

The engagement is announced between Angus John, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. N. Macpherson, of Commonwood. Bearsted, Kent, and Anne, third daughter of Mr and Mrs E. M. Barford, of Snowdenham, Brambay Surgers.

Royal Society of Medicine Dr T. D. Whittet, president of the section of the History of Medicine, Royal Society of Medicine, accompanied by Mrs Whittet, was host yesterday at a dinner held at 1 Wimpole Street, after he delivered his presidential address at the annual meeting of the section. Among the guests were Dr and Mrs K: W. N.

Electronic Engineering Association

Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Industry, was guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Electronic Engineering Association held at the Savoy Hotel yesterday. Mr I Barnes, president of association presided.

Inner Temple
The Lord Chancellor was entertained at dinner by the Treasurer, Sir Alan Mocattu, and Masters of the Bench of the Inner Temple last night, the Grand Day of Easter Term. Other guests included:

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The annual dinner of the Newspaper Society was held last night at Grosvenor House. Mr J. L. Barrons, president, accompanied by Mrs Barrons, was in the chair. Mr Patrick Neill, QC, Chairman of the Press Council, and Mrs Neill were the Council, and Mrs Neill were the principal guests. Among those present were:
The Duke of Atholf, Lord and Lady Marsh. Sir. Edward and Long Mrsh. Sir. Edward and Long Pictering Sir and Mrs D. Mr And Mrs. P. W. Rarker, Fir and Mrs. D. Londers, Mr and Firs CD Heffrey, Drand Mrs. D. Wyndione Smath, Mr and Mrs. D. Wyndione Smath, Mr and Mrs. Diewi Morgan.

Sunday colour supplement.

The packager tempts Kington with visions of a bright red

and blue magazine called

Sunday Moreover, to be launched in the autumn of

1982 at Kington's expense.

There will be a fantastic

opening party with Rod Stewart being flown in from

the US and maybe Henry

Cooper will be free to turn

up for a moment, anyway, at the worst William Hickey will

with a book about Great

freelance packager and pub- knew of his irrational pas- To be continued.

come along. Agu
All this time, however, mome
Kington is secretly in love the

new theatre in Plymouth

Cornwall for the first time the chance to see Britain's main opera and ballet companies regularly, was opened last night by Princess Margaret.

The theatre was financed by the local authority with the assistance of nearly £2m from the EEC regional development fund and £500,000 from the Arts Council.

of major touring theatres throughout the country". Mr Isavid Pratley, the Aris council's regional director commented esterday.

Birmingham Hippodrome; £150,000 to the Theatre Royal, Nottingham; £210,000 to the Empire Theatre, Liverpool; and £115,000 to the Grand Theatre,

Birthdays today



Mr Orson Welles, the actor and director, who is 67

Sir John Arnold, 67; Air Chief Marshal Sir Walter Dawson, 80; Sir John Elliot, 84; Mr R. Fell, 61; Mr Stewart Granger, 69; Maior-General J. Hamilton-Major-General J. Hamilton-Jones, 56; Sir Ronald Harris, 69; Mr K. G. Holden, 72; Sir Patrick Meaney, 57; Mr Alan Ross, 60; Rt Rev John Taylor, 53.

Latest appointments Latest appointments include:

Mr John Stewart Hobhouse, QC,
to be High Court judge on the
Queen's division in succession to
Mr Justice Mais, who has retired.

Mr Nicholas True to be a special
adviser' in the Department of
Health and Social Security.

Mr J. F. Phillips, QC, to be
chairman of the London Diagnostic aind Imaging Centre. Harley

tic and Imaging Centre, Harley Street. Major-General E. A. Burgess to be Colonel Commandant, Royal Regiment of Artillery. Colonel L. R. Cartwright is to be Deputy Colonel (Lancashire). The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers. Mr Peter Holwell to be clerk of the Court of London University. Mr J. S. Roderick to be deputy clerk.

clerk Mrs Margaret Milner-Williams to be chairman of the Independent Schools Association Incorpor-

lisher, pointing out that sion and would urge him to Moreover is probably the give up the suicidal liaison only column in British jour-immediately.

Torn between those con-

Princess opens

principal ugure on an another of Deputies of British Jews. principal figure on the Board Probably because of his legal background and his philosophical training and outlook, Barnett Janner had the faculty, which was to prove so valuable during the course of his career, of reconciling conflicting elements, religious, racial and political, among the Jews of his own country, and to an extent scarcely less import-ant beyond its borders. His life within the modern

tic and Imaging Centre, Harley

Moreover...Miles Kington

Torn between those con-

flicting temptations, Kington

goes downstairs in the block where he lives to empty his

rubbish and there falls into

conversation with a fellow tenant. This tenant, it seems,

has just completed his first

novel but cannot find a

publisher, although the book is sensational. If only it could

be serialized in a reputable

newspaper column, or some-

Agreeing in a weak moment to cast an eye over the manuscript, Kington flees back to his flat and

thing....

es and police reports of the television. He finds himself

By Christopher Warman
Arts Correspondent
The new Theatre Royal, Piymouth, a £9m project which will
give people in Devon and
Cornwall for the first time the

"It is a vital link in the chain

As part of its policy to establish first-rate, large scale theatres to house opera, drama and dance touring, the Arts Council had made grants of £450,000 to the Palace Theatre, Manchester; £417,000 to the Birmingham

E150,000 to the Theatre, 1550,000 to the Theatre, 1550



ship of the civic, artistic and religious life of that borough.

He was a grandson of going to the United States.

Benjamin Cartwright, who founded the still trading firm of that name and supplied some of the earliest chairs to the London School Board and the Army, when it went to the Boer War. His father this specially and won contincommenced trading just after the work, much of the output going to the United States.

The English furniture trade will remember him principally for three things. Firstly, the several millions of hand polished heavy-seated chairs which he made this specially and won contincommenced trading just after unal reorders from the Admir-

She was a woman of rare good looks, vibrant charm, gentle wit and profound sincerity, who inspired admiration and devotion in all who knew her. Perhaps Alix de Rothschild's outstanding quality was not her vivid imagination. nor even her imagination, nor even her unparalleled generosity, nor her deep understanding of her deep understanding of takeover by the Germans the ills to which human flesh is heir, nor yet her almost disconcerting readiness to see the other fellow's point of view, but a forthright democratic spirit which ran through her life like a tough silver thread linking together silver thread linking together her varied fields of activity her friendship for artists and musicians, with whom she felt a great affinity and

retired as deputy chairman of the Wellcome Foundation Ltd. in 1974, died on April 29. He was 73. Born in Manchester, he

Victorian Bicycling Acci- locks himself in. He takes the dents, shortly to be published phone off the hook, stuffs by the little known Puncture the letter box with Polyfilla, Press and lavishly illustrated pours himself a stiff drink with black and white sketch- and settles down to watch qualified as a pharmacist at Manchester University, to which he returned later to time, and dreams of serializ- listening to a blistering ing it in his column, especial attack on the press for study medicine after holding a managerial post in industry. After qualification he held appointments at hospily as the author is an old stuffing newspapers full of mate of his and needs the extracts from new books; publicity. Not entirely bereft "Has British journalism of a conscience, Kington come so low", rages one realizes uncomfortably that pundit, "that it cannot think supporters behave primitive—realizes uncomfortably that pundit, "that it cannot think ly. Well, think about it.

While he is thinking about secretary and loved ones print?" He groans, switches it, a letter arrives from a would be horrified if they off and goes straight to bed.

in Argentina, to warn her husband of the impending Germany with one small child and only the clothes she stood up in To return to

concerning his own people. He had won his seat as an Independent Liberal by the narrow majority of only a little over 1,000 in 1931, and it was not surprising that four years later he lost it, but within less than 12 months, and as a matter of no surprise to his friends, he joined the Labour Party, soon after, which he was adopted as prospective candidate for the West Division of Leicester, which Harold Nicolson had won for National Labour shortly before, with the tenuous majority, of 87. In the ultimate, Janner was out of Parliament for several years, but he returned at the General Election of 1945, having defeated both Harold together Christians and Jews . for ethical and moral service for ethical and moral service within the general community, and one more thing, not least, can be said of him, namely that as his material Leicester (after 1950 the least of him advanced so also did North Western Division) until

well as those specifically

OBITUARY

LORD JANNER

Tireless champion of Jewish causes

ractice, but he was friendly

and indeed active in the movements which brought

Jewish causes.

Lord Janner, who died on

May 4 at the age of 89, was

for many years an active member of the House of

Commons. Originally a Lib-

eral and later as a member of

the Labour Party, he had represented the Whitechapel

and St George's division of Stepney and later West and North-West Leicester.

He was above all passionately concerned with the

welfare of Jews. He was president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews

from 1955 to 1956 - his son

Greville Janner is the current president — and had been president of the Zionist

Federation of Great Britain

and Ireland. He was knighted in 1961 and made a life peer

in 1970. He was an intensely

public-spirited man and was

score of societies and groups not all with a Jewish flavour.

He was a well-known figure in the legal and commercial world, but he

was best known in great Britain and abroad as a

dominant personality for two

or three decades as a layman

of the Jewish community. More than anything else he

was a loyal Jew by birth, tradition upbringing and practice, and his communal

activities, especially from the early days of Nazi persecution in Germany, formed an outstanding contribution of sustained service to his

fellow Jews, often at the cost of much misunderstanding and, at times, opposition:

From his twenties he had

been a convinced and ardent

Zionist, but his intense nationalism was in his case in

complete accord with his profound religious convic-tions, so that there was

nothing exceptional about the fact that while he was still pursuing his course as one of the best friends and defenders of the state of Israel which owed at least comesting for its astablish

something for its establish-ment to his energies, he was also, coincident with it all, a

community had seen the growing understanding and rapprochement in Britain

between the community of

the Spanish and Portuguese Jews, and those of the Central and Eastern Euro-

pean immigrants

involved in something like a

position advanced so also did North his service and his generosity 1970; towards both Gentile and At 1

At Westminster he will he remembered best for his persistent work on behalf of leasehold and rating reform Barnett Janner was born at Barry, Glamorgan, on June 20, 1892, the son of the late in the wider sphere, but always as one of the most consistent and forthright Joseph and Gertrude Janner, and remained deeply interested in the educational and social life of the Principality. representatives of his race, particularly whenever injustice and oppression were involved. He had seen at first social life of the Principality. He was educated at the Barry County School, from which he went with a County Scholarship to the University College of South Wales and Monmouthshire at Cardiff, and where he had a notable career, both scholastically and socially. He was president of the Students' Representatives Council, edited the University Magazine, graduated BA and, having read Law and served his articles in the City, he was, after service with the Royal Garrison Artillery during the First World War, admitted in hand on many visits the astonishing developments, constitutionally and materially, in the new State of Israel, for which he had loyally campaigned during more than 30 years before its birth, especially as chairman of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland over a considerable part of that time. He was also president of the Association of Jewish Friendly Societies, and was for six years vice-president of the Board of Denuties, before the constitution of the Board of the Boar First World War, admitted in Deputies before succeeding For a while he practised in to the senior office. He was Cardiff, where he became closely associated with the Liberal Party and one of its vice-president of the Leasehold Reform Association, a member of the committee on Wage Earning Children, of the Society of Labour Lawyers, and he was honorary Rents Adviser to the Labour Party. He was a Fellow of the Poyal Society of Arts, and he Royal Society of Arts, and he had a considerable appreciation, in which his wife shared, of beautiful furniture, and interior decoration. He was a freeman of the City of London and Leices-ter. He was also an honorary LLD of Leed's University.

Barnett Janner married in 1927 Elsie Sybil, a Justice of the Peace for London, and a well known social worker, the daughter of Joseph and Henrietta Cohen, and they had one son and one daugh-ter. His son, Greville Janner, QC, is MP for Leicester West and his daughter is Lady Morris of Kenwood.

He stood for absolute orthodoxy in Jewish ritual MR W. O. HAINES

prominent speakers in the Southern Counties until he

removed to London in the 1920s to pursue his pro-fessional career, and to enter

more closely into national politics. At the same time his

interests were extended from

the law to finance and commerce, and when in 1931

he was returned as Liberal

Member for the Whitechapel

and St George's Division, he

Janner was precisely the right member for that division, with its large Jewish population, but at Westminster he was by no means a delegate, and his range of

interest there stretched over

housing leasehold reform,

international questions, as

workmen's compensation and

industry,

become well-known the British furniture

death brings to a close the hundreds of sets of reprocentury and a half of close duction chairs, using models time they owned some 400 involvement by the mainly, and drawings from the Victo- acres of prime hardwood Baptist and Methodist chair ria and Albert Museum and woodlands. manufacturers in the leader- the finest West Indies maho-ship of the civic, artistic and gany, and kept all their men

the Boer War. His father commenced trading just after the turn of the century and wanted to enter the Indian Civil Service, came from being head boy of the Royal arms of these many of these formmar School to join him in 1919. teenth century cottage furni-

Mr William Owen Haines, tects, where Haines's ability largely self sufficient in the the chair manufacturer and to "hold" a colour in his provision of beech from its timber grower, died on April memory without, sample own woods. Both father and 1, aged 80. Like his father before him he was a former with Giles Gilber; Scott. In growing of beech butts for Mayor of High Wycombe. His death brings to a close the hundreds of sets of reprofrequently sought and at one

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Lastly, there were Mr Haines's "Old Men"; if old chairmakers wanted to work he kept men og into their 80s on the hours they felt able to do. He was a tax com-missioner, the chairman of several schools to the day of his death, the past or present president or chairman of nearly every artistic and ecumenical activity in the borough and a Methodist local preacher and circuit steward. He was a man of the very highest moral and ethical standards.

He married Ethel, one of The firm of Owen Haines ture". the nine daughters of Boaz and Son turned first to Secondly, the firm was Wooster, master chair maker, working with notable archi- probably anique in being who died in 1976.

BARONESS ALIX DE ROTHSCHILD

A correspondent writes:

The death is reported on May 3 of Baroness Alix de Rothschild in Normandy, in her 71st year, perhaps the most distinguished member of that versatile family.

She was a woman of rare

whom she assisted and promoted in thousand different ways; her understanding and affection for the rural community which she fussed over and mothered for 30 the Free French in London. Over this episode, as well as the large family of 25,000 many others, she displayed a refugees and immigrant chilmany others, she displayed a delightful, almost naive modesty. The writer recalls with amusement her expression of complete bewilderment when at the end of a pression of complete bewilderment when at the end of a deeply moving "off-the-cuff" talk to a packed Zionist audience in Jerusalem, Ben Gurion, then Prime Minister of Israel, sprang onto the platform and with tears in his eyes exclaimed: "For that for that, I must kiss you!"

She leaves a son senior

She leaves a son, senior partner in Rothschild Fréres until the recent nationalization of the banks, a daughter, six grandchildren and one great grandson. She will be terribly missed. Our deepest Europe in 1940 was an act of sympathy goes out to the dauntless courage. On friend with whom she shared arrival, she organized her 25 happy and creative years.

DR FRED WRIGLEY

become general sales man consultant in health care ager (medical) with the industry to the British Tech-Wellcome Foundation. As a nology Group (formerly director of Wellcome from NEB) from 1979. 1957, he held several posts He was, also, at various related to sales and associtimes, president of the Hun-ated companies before betterian Society; chairman of coming deputy chairman in the mid-Herts Hospital Man-1967. He was made CBE in agement Committee; a mem-

Dr Fred Wrigley, CBE, ceuticals in Canada before United Medical Enterprises MRCS, LRCP, FPS, who returning to England to Ltd, 1978-79; and honorary

agement Committee; a mem-ber of the N.W. Regional a managerial post in industry. After qualification he held appointments at hospitals in the Manchester area.

He returned to industry in 1945 as director of clinical research with Roche Products. From 1952 to 1955 he was manager of Ciba Pharma-

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No.

Central's four-part series I Remember Nelson ended last night with a formidable piece of television. It dealt with the mattle of Trafalgar and, true to the style of the rest of the series, did so from a highly specific and cunningly oblique perspective. We saw the action solely on

We saw the action solely on the lower gun deck and through the eyes of one William Blackie, a gunner. Necessarily this involved a great deal of documentary clutter on the workings of the guns and the routine of battle, as well as a long succession of violent deaths and horrific mainings, the and horritic mainings, the latter being dealt with by appropriately gruesome surgery and the former by tossing the corpses over the side. But the episode succceded in moulding this seemingly random, bloody chaos and detailed historical recreation into entirely sat-

isfying drama.
It did so by playing Blackie off against Nelson. Yet this was not a crude generals-against-infantry polemic indeed the poor cannon-fod-der were shown cheering their admiral with mystical feryour, their eyes gleaming with a sense that their pathetic conditions could be transcended. In addition Kenneth Colley's excellent Nelson; though indeed a study in arrogance, betrayed only a faltering grasp of his own greatness, a quality demonstrated not by his words but by his distracted, drawn features. He appeared to know that something made the whole affair absurd but he could not be sure precisely what.

Hugh Whitemore, writer, began by ironically playing off Nelson's last will and testament before the battle against a lower deck deal should either of the partners die. He then moved through the blood of battle, through the dawning horror on the faces of the gunners and the powder monkeys through the pale shattered features of the padre, finally to Nelson's distracted resignation after a sniper's bullet had shattered his spine. Only Nelson had not changed; he lay dying still obsessed with his duty, still baffled by his

Meanwhile Blackie has been wounded in the foot, and in his delirium struggles to a gun-port to see the sun. He passes Nelson at the moment of his death, attains the gun-port and sees only a pig swimming in the water hefore be is hit in the head. Whitemore concludes years later with Blackie in a home, his brain having been damphilanthropists visit and give him a sovereign in recog-nition of what he did for his country, but Blackie just turns to look, at last, at the

Sun.
Whitemore's — and indeed Central's - courage lay in avoiding the routine grind of tele-drama-documentary. There was plenty of painstaking work by the props department but the creative hand was strong enough to subjugate their efforts to the demands of the imagination. For all the research in the world is as nothing without Whitemore and Colley's delicious touch of having Nelson recite all his symp-toms with the eerie calm of a man whose mind is else-

The Queen of

Gardner Centre,

duction of Tchaikovsky's Queen of Spades Herman, the doomed gambler-lover, slumps isolated and spotlit downstage, watched in the dark by tiered galleries of collectors. This chilling tab.

onlookers. This chilling tab-

leau of the opera's end in its beginning epitomizes the individuality and consistency of the director Nicholas

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Dear Liar

Unlike his other paper Unlike his other paper relationships, this one tells a story. Shaw glumly set himself down as a person to whom nothing ever happened, but something certainly happened between him and Mrs Pat. He first approached her in 1899, laid low with the illness from which he emerged a married man. If Mrs Pat had accepted his invitation and zoomed off man. It Mrs Pat had accepted his invitation and zoomed off to Hindhead to read for Cleopatra, Charlotte might have found herself in the role of Octavia. However, still reclining on the voluntarius

missed his chance before, lously compressed in Sian Shaw — then in his late fifties — moved in un her with the crazed fervour known only to middle-aged might-have-beens. There followed his hungling descent on her Sandwich love nest, the relationship without try-and its humiliating defeat, ing to evoke the historical For once, there is Shaw figures. Miss Phillips is much caught with his pants down the more detached of the like the rest of us: overheard two. She indicates Mrs Pat's making secret phone calls; grief at her son's death, or jited at the moment of her wily attempt to extract consummation; stripped of favours out of Shaw, while wit by the insult to his holding the character firmly vanity, and thoroughly out of at arm's length. Every point control.

Mermaid

Sang in his writing hut down the garden Shaw enjoyed firstatious correspondence with a good many ladies, from Elien Terry to Miss skill in transforming correspondence into dialogue. Bob Godalming; but the only one of these exchanges that ever yielded a play was his 40-year ding-dong with Mrs Patrick Campbell.

Unlike his other paper

Jerome Kilty's adaptation of blind anger. He also ages with pitiless realism from the crackerjack Joey into the slumped, nodding Pantaloon.

Irving Wardle

Sill in transforming correspondence into dialogue. Bob Ringwood's set consists of a study and a dressing room, torn apart down the middle and separated by a blood-red boundary line. To each his own side, it seems.

But within minutes Robert

of blind anger. He also ages with pitiless realism from the crackerjack Joey into the slumped, nodding Pantaloon.

Irving Wardle

Olivier

The thing to do with the scriver Worldbouse is read.

But within minutes Robert Hardy is getting down on his knees to push letters under her front door, and when the show really gets going they are in and out of each others' territory like Lancashire.

The letters are amplified with a few link passages, which strand the performers unhappily between narrative and character, and two
symmetrically placed scenes
from Pygmalion and The
Apple Cart. The first of these
shows Mr Hardy plausibly reclining on the voluptuous laurels of Paula Tanqueray, she turned the uppity apprentice playwright down; and when they resumed contact, for the stormily farcical Pygmalion episode, it was as professional equals.

Not only that Having missed his chance before, Shaw — then in his late shows Mr Hardy plausibly tearing his hair out in the attempt to get his leading lady to talk common. The second is dramatically electrifying, as it shows Mr Pat as herself and as Orinthia, simultaneously longing for the part and outraged by it. All these volcanically conflicting elements are marvellously compressed in Sian Phillips's performance.

lowed his bungling descent priate costume and present is made with commanding Thereafter, the relation clarity, but without conjurship underwent a long and ing up the seductress or the extremely cruel reversal in monstre theatrale.

as a fat, penniless, dog-play the horse any longer to lately with its period New obsessed exile cadging hand-your Lady Godiva!") but in York accents and move-outs from the man who the extraordinary meditation ments. The celebration was continued to avance his on his mother's cremation, devised and directed by

career by putting her into his and the wartime explosions of blind anger. He also ages

The thing to do with the scrivener Wodehouse is read him. Talk about him in a pub. certainly. Catch his stuff on the stage or silver screen, when available of course, But, take them for all in all, the chap's words between tabasco. Accept no substi-rutes. Still, it is right and proper for the National Theatre to remind us in the centenary of his birth that between 1916 and 1924 he was the sweet singing thrush of 49th Street, writing the lyrics for Guy Bolton's books and Jerome Kern's music. He wrote 33 musical comedies, and at one time had five of them running simultaneously on the Great White Way. Writing lyrics was like eating salted almonds for Plum. He could always manage another one.

So in a platform performance on Tuesday enter David Ryall in a wig like a hard-boiled egg and an amiable expression, with antique desk, a decanter of the brown stuff and other writer's tools. In the master's words he recalled those early days of musical comedy, of hair's breadth 'scapes with the imminent deadly pro-ducer, triumphs and flope-roos. He had business with his pipe and a trick of scratching his ear with his little finger that were worth many millibars of atmosphere.

At intervals Mark Bond, Robert Raiph, Sally Cooper and Imeida Staunton came which Shaw put on riches Mr Hardy opts for a light hoofing on to belt out lyrics and celebrity like a prize broque which serves him marrow and Mrs Pat slowly well, not only in the exmander of the lot, winding up her plosions of torrential fun and wretched years in Hollywood fury ("I absolutely refuse to Theatre has had practice and the hose any longer to large with its period New



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Pitiless realism, commanding clarity: Robert Hardy and Sian Phillips in "Dear Liar"

Robert Ralph, and will be repeated on May 21.
If not exactly all spoofed up with zip and vinegar, and certainly not with angst and relevance, it is full of irresistible charm. A very agreeable hors d'oeuvre to the main business of the evening, which is, of course, to be curled up with a fruity volume from the master's œuvre.

Philip Howard

A Gentle Spirit

Shaw

Jules Croisset is a Dutch actor of renown. His adaptation of Feodor Dostoyevsky's short story A Gentle Spirit is an exceptionally successful Dutch theatre Spirit is an exceptionally through. There is absurdity too tragically channelled, successful Dutch theatre that lives in the tragically The story has engrossing piece, a play for one main. crossed marriage of a cold, strengths of its own. Speaking it in English, in his own version with the assist- of 16. Mr Croisset lets that be Ned Chaillet

evocatively Russian. He speaks alone for two hours. With the covered corpse of his wife on the stage, he portrays a Russian pawnbroker who is trying himself before a jury that is

the audience. It is a jury of his own creation, for there has been no crime, unless suicide is a crime that slowly driving to death. involves others. In Dos-toyevsky's reasoning, it is just that, but the jury is the man himself and Mr Croisset enacts the kissing of her feet sation.

ance of Barrie Keeffe, he is seen, but does not particu-deprived of that absolute larly expose it. It may be the command of nuance that foreign language that does distinguishes a great actor. not allow him to relax into What comes through is amusement when it appears something less than a great in the text; yet when he says performance, but the potenthat women are not original, tial of the actor is clear and and adds that not even the his accented dynamism is dead body is original, he is flummoxed and there is something powerfully and fundamentally comical in the situation. Perhaps it is a feminist tension, so totally unexpected and totally im-plicit in the script, that

balances the humour and the horror. The man's soul is being saved by the girl he is

constantly confronts the that tried to excuse months seriousness of his own accu- of silence. But, although the ation. actor is strong in his rigor-Comic considerations come ous self-examination, he is

Concerts

ing his present spell with them, they will record the fourth symphony, and this they performed together on Tuesday on the South Bank, with Felicity Lott as their golden-voiced, artfully artless, soprano soloist in the last movement.

Tennstedt's readings of Mahler have been rapturously received, and this account of No 4 was equally memorable. Its chief distinction

Opera

Hytner's unashamed acknow-ledgment of Tchaikovsky's melodramatization of Push-kin's dark, laconic story, its sentiment and hysterical fatalism (the fifth symphony hydrothere in the wings).

hurks there in the wings).
No expense of resource of

the masque and the gaming-house scene project proudly the ameteur chorus's alert-

Yet despite the strong sense of physical involvement

between stage and auditorium in the Gardner Centre's small theatre, exploited this year and last in Grimes by Kit Surrey's severe, economic yet forcefully

by Kit Surrey's severe, economic yet forcefully thrusting sets, little can prevent us from being held at arm's length emotionally from this near-caricature of an opera. Especially when, in David Hillman's Herman, histrionic in voice and movement, we have a hero whose destructive passion shows

destructive passion shows little development and in-spires little sympathy. (He

takes turns in the part with John Treleaven.) It was a powerfully sustained performance though, and the

ness and strength.

rently recording all Mahler's the score showed that Tennsymphonies. (what about the stedt was not exaggerating: tenth, I wonder?) under their that was actually what Mahler principal conductor designanted. There is, as Mahler was both brilliant and poetic nate, Klaus Tennstedt. Durites are aware, a good the LPO's response was measure of spiky humour in the fourth symphony, starting with the mimicry of sleighbells and ending with the peasant child's imagination of life in Paradise, each little scene quaintly (I do not mean archly) underlined in the music for the poem.

Good Mahler conductors

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Bryan Appleyard

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production.

ess with all the pathos of senility as she recalled her former liaisons. She was a match for Patricia O'Neill's intense Lisa, suitably heavy with dark-hued passion, colourfully supported by Anne Marie Owens's sturdy,

Tchaikovsky's deliciously

singable ariosos and arias were enjoyed no less by Eric Roberts as an ardent yet

properly aristocratic Prince

Yeletsky and William Shimell

as an outstanding Count Tomsky, glowing and alive to every detail of his part. But as in Boris and Grimes of

previous years, this was the community's production and it is to the orchestra, the adult and children's choruses all rigorously and inventively

trained, that the highest praise must go.

Hilary Finch

resonant Polina.

measure of spiky humour in exceptionally keen, give or The slow movement was

the music for the poem. was the continuity of the Good Mahler conductors respect this aspect of the piece, Tennstedt more acutely than most, as if surveying vivacity of the finale's

Schola Cantorum

St John's

Twenty years or so ago, the Schola Cantorum of Oxford made a record of Taverner's Mass Corona Spinea which I still treasure. Hearing them on Tuesday, it was as if time had stood still. There was that same undergraduate immaturity in their voices but, more important, the

settings, reserves its best moments for its shorter movements. For all the

movements. For all the variety of the composer's double choir scoring, which includes testing solo parts, he frequently lost my interest in the "Gloria" and "Credo", and there is some irritating word-painting, for example at "Et in unum Dominum", set to one re-peated note, and the predict-able sequential treatment meted out to "Descendit de caelis". The singers did well to keep us awake until the more mellifluous music of the final movements recalled the artful simple grace of the

Mr Bolton's singers re-sponded with sharp reflexes, if occasionally overstretched techniques, to his searing pace in Monteverdi's Beatus

LPO/Tennstedt

pungent combination of woodwinds, Tennstedt interpreted the score as if he were consecutive sections.

Festival Hall

As keen record-collectors are aware, the London Philharmonic Orchestra are cur-monic of the structural gearing of the sumptuous lyricism and the exquisite the choir's natural impetus of the choir's natu which the story Venetian music.

Cavalli's Messa Concertate, ornamentation the more like many pre-classical mass settings reserves its hest homophonic passages there was an impressive firmness of sound despite the low Ds demanded from the basses, vividly setting off the dancing semiquaver phrases.

> Neatly fitted between these two works were a pair of motets by Giovanni Gabrieli, both from his 1615 collection and both, like the Cavalli, requiring the spatial separa-tion which St John's could not offer. No matter, for the decorative textures of "O Jesu mi dulcissime" and "Deus in nomine tuu" were clearly delineated yet clearly delineated yet roundly sonorous, reflecting the full splendour of Venetian music tantilizingly poised between the ages of renaissance and baroque.

> > Stephen Pettitt

Interview: Bertrand Tavernier

operas.

Reflecting upon one's inner terrors

way his savage words, rather than the sight of the drawn pistol, are made to kill the Countess is a nice piece of "Making films is, for me, a way of not killing people. I have often wanted very strongly to kill people." Bertrand Tavernier, the French film director, insists he is capable of committing murder. Fortunately it is art which pulls him back from the brink. His This confrontation scene was a gripping pivot. Maureen Morelle, an unforgettable Mrs Sedley last year, fleshed out the sinister spectral figure of the Countess with all the pathos of specific as the recalled her films, he says, are cathartic, an outlet for the anger which inspires them, whether it is directed against social injustice, religion or suffering. He was angry when he made his latest film, Clean Slate (Coup de torchon), which opens at the Curzon today, and its concentration on violence and cruelty

reflects his own inner terrors.

Clean Slate is the most autobiographical of all Tavernier's seven graphical or all laverner's seven films. The central character, the policeman Cordier, who kills to change a world he can no longer endure, is someone with whom he feels an ambivalent sympathy. "Sometimes I'm completely for him. Sometimes I'm a him followed of him like him I have bit frightened of him. Like him I have felt humiliation, a desire to revolt, the

felt humiliation, a desire to revolt, the need to destroy and provoke God, and a terrible sense of being powerless. Most of all I have felt anger about arrogant stupidity. I think it is one of the deadliest things in the world."

Tavernier, now 41, is one of several notable younger French film directors, but his work is not widely known in this country. His first film, The Watchmaker of St Paul, was highly regarded but it was the first of a trilogy whose complementary parts, Let the Party Begin and The Judge and the Assassin have never been shown the Assassin have never been shown here. Neither has Spoiled Children although Deathwatch, made in English, and A Week's Holiday have been distributed. distributed.

Tavernier blames the old-fashioned and conservative attitude of the distribtors. "They never try to educate people. Instead of trying to get involved with European cinema, they always turn to America. In England you have been colonized by American, films."

A former film critic and publicity officer for the producer Georges de Beauregard, Tavernier learnt his craft working with directors like Godard and Chabrol. He enjoys taking both actors and audiences by surprise. "After my



last film, A Week's Holidan, I was immediately labelled 'The great humanist'. So I decided to destroy that image. I wanted to show the anger and fear I felt inside."

The vehicle he chose was Pop. 1280, a novel by the American writer Jim Thompson set in the American Deep South in the 1920s. Tavernier first read the book in 1966 but had to wait 11 years before the rights became available. "I had a great shock when I first read it. There was a mixture of violence and black humour, not a very comfortable humour, but one which gets to the nerves of things."

Reluctant to make an "Americanized" French film, Tavernier spent considerable time searching for a French setting that would not distort Thompson's images and ideas. Eventually he came up with a town in French Colonial Africa in 1938, infected by growing fear about the outbreak of

war. "We made the picture in Senegal in just eight weeks. About fifty per cent is new material written by Jean Aurenche and me, but I hope the voice is still Thompson's. I suppose Clean Slate is the first — if you get the pun—black film noir'.

Tavernier tried hard to avoid the seductive dangers of the picturesque. "If you think of all the films you've seen set in Africa, you realize that as soon as a character goes outdoors hordes of animals — giraffes, zebras go running past. I was determined to avoid the exotic. In my film the only animals you see are goals, dogs, chickens. Life in Africa was very much the same as in France. Reading the diaries of Andre Gide, I was struck by the absence of the exotic. He writes that he had mutton stew for breakfast every day".

Clean Slate is the fourth film Tavernier has made with the actor Philippe Noiret, who plays Cordier. He has, he says, an extraordinary, almost telepathic, relationship with him. "Often we don't need words to communicate. He supported me when I had made no films when I was had made no films, when I was nothing. I owe him everything". He has also used Isabelle Huppert, 10 whom he gave her first part, in a way which will surprise devotees of The Lacemaker. "I wanted to use her quite differently. I forced her to work instinctively. She was very afraid of the film. I love it when she laughs— she has always been frightened of doing that".

Brought up as a Catholic, now a lapsed Trotskyist, Tavernier cannot decide whether Clean Slate is a religious or anti-religious film. "It is in a sense the first screenplay to be dictated by God. The film says: 'If there are things in life which hurt you, complain to God about them'. Cordier puts temptation before people and does what they want him to do. He never tries to make things happen. He is a little like God. Catholic teaching says: There is the apple. You are free to eat it or not'. That's bullshit. If you are hungry you will eat the apple. You don't have a choice".

Dance Second Stride

Playhouse, Oxford

I wonder whether historians will consider this week's performances by Second Stride at the Playhouse, Oxford, as crucial as the week given at the same theatre 44 years ago by Antony Tudor and the London Ballet? Perhaps not; yet a venture that brings together three of our best choreographers to start a choreographers to start a company must mportant.

It makes sense that the present intentions are limited in duration. Between now and the end of August the company will tour Britain, play a week (June 8 to 13) at Riverside Studios, visit the United States for performances at several important centres then dissolve after week at the Edinburgh Festival. By concentrating their resources in this way they ensure high standards, and they can consider regrouping for further activities once the results are known.

Tuesday night's opening programme included works by all three choreographers, Richard Alston, Siobhan Davies and Ian Spink. One was a premiere, the others coming from their individual repertories. The completely new work is Rushes, created hy Davies to a score for solo piano composed and played by Michael Finnissy, comprising his favoured rushes of separate notes.

That is one possible in-terpretation of the title. Davies's choreography also contains moments of rushing from place to place by its six dancers, contrasting with others when they adopt static poses. I think these last, in conjunction with the rep-resentation of a film strip in David Buckland's backcloth, imply another meaning of the word as used in the motion picture trade, and it would not surprise me on seeing the work again to find that it also has some allusion to the riverside kind of rushes.

The exact meaning of the work, consequently, is a little elusive, but that does not detract from its interest. The movement is interesting for its own sake (and, for all I know, that may be all that Davies intends); the allusiveness adds a touch of mystery that helps encourage atten-

Davies and Juliet Fisher danced the short work which Alston made for them two years ago, A Field of Mus-tard, in which Vaughan Williams's Six Studies in English Folksong for cello and piano accompany mainly. solos implying a sudden shift. in the relationship between two friends. That was the only music on this programme not specially com-

Of the two works by Spink on this programme, I was especially taken by De Gus. The choreography, like the title, is based on puns; adapting poses from Degas's pictures, especially of dom-estic scenes, into movement, and making them quietly funny by having the desha-bille and the household chores transferred from women to men. Jane Wells's score, for recorded tape and on-stage oboist, is equally good; Christopher Redgate's happy participation in the action reinforces the effect of his playing.

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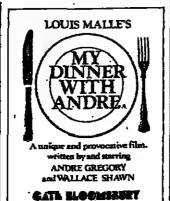
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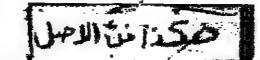
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Gold and currency reserves lowest for three years

Business Editor

General Accident's

chilling tale

Judging by yesterday's appalling results from General Accident, the first quarter of this year is going to be one of the worst periods ever for the industry, and forecasts for

commercial Union, which reports next week, have already been downgraded to

The severe winter weath-

er was the main reason for

General Accident's £30m turnround to pretax losses of £11m. In the United Kingdom alone, weather losses are put at £20m — far higher than anyone expected — and the overall

pected — and the overall underwriting loss at £54m was not only three and half times more than in the first

But if the weather losses

can be described as excep-tional, the rest of the

heavier claims. An underly-ing 18 per cent rise in

investment income in the first quarter has proved hopelessly inadequate

In the United States the

first quarter operating ratio has deteriorated from 106 to

111 per cent and results from all the other main areas worsened by varying

Overall profits this

CBI Survey

Hopeful signs

The calendar tells us it

The calendar tells us it should be spring but the CBI's survey of trends shows, at first sight at least, a uniformly bleak and wintry landscape. Look closer at the answers, however, and it is just possible to see the

occasional late snowdrop

Some industries are showing signs of increased output, including the hard-hit engineering sector. All companies seem to be

sharing in an improvement

Last, but perhaps most

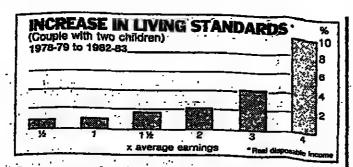
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trying to burst through.

the dividend.

compensation



Four consecutive Conservative Budgets have left the lowest paid workers barely better-off than in the final year of the last Labour government, while the highest paid have improved their living standards by nearly 10 per cent. The figures in the chart, compiled by the Treasury in answer to a parliamentary question, are based on take-home pay plus child benefit (and family income supplement where appropriate) adjusted for inflation.

STOCK EXCHANGES

May 24

FT Index 575.4 down 8.8 FT Gifts 67.67 down 0.31 FT Alishare 328.52 down **Bargains 16,049** Tokyo: market closed Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1,316, down 3.16

INTEREST RATES

3 month interbank 1311/16-

Euro-currency rates 3 month dollar 14%-15 3 month DM 8%-8% 3 month Fr F 23%-22%

CURRENCES

 The pound ended stronger against a weaker dollar but lost ground against continentals in the wake of Falklands developments. The dollar fell

\$1.8060 up 95 points Index 89.6 down 0.5 DM 4 1875 Fr F 10.9250 DOLLAR Index 112.6 down 0.9 DM 2.3180 down 250 points

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invergordon rescue pian

the Cabinet's key economic committee last Tuesday. The plan involves offering a cheap power package based on subsidized coal to potential buyers of the plant, shut by British Aluminium shortly after Christmas with the loss of nearly 900 jobs. Whitehall officials stress that the Scottish Office package still has no guarantee of being acceptable to the four or five companies interested in Invergordon.

Manager 'exploited' singer

Imports attack

More UK off

THE GOVERNMENT was

SNOOKER club groups Riley Leisure and Lucania Snooker Clubs are planing to join forces in a deal worth £3.1m. Riley has agreed terms

• UNONS were warned yes-terday by Mr Jan Kelsall, director of the Wales CBI, that a "wages spree would have a catastrophic effect on jobs and severely hamper the

sharply on expectations of lower interest rates in the short term.
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PRICE CHANGES

Final details of a new rescue plan for the Invergordon aluminium smelter are unlikely to be completed until next week, despite the plan's approval in principle by

'Call up' ships payment

P & O has received a down-payment of £1.25m from the Government after the requisition of four ships, including the Canberra, for Falklands duty. Talks on full compensation are continuing and the Ministry of Defence is being billed monthly. Meanwhile, P & O pretax profit last year fell from £47.07m to £40.95m. There was a strong recovery in the second half after profits had slumped from £12.9m to £729,000 at the interim stage. The total dividend rises from 8p to 10p. Lord Inchcape, chairman, forecasts improved results

A High Court judgment has effectively made null and void earnings estimated at £3m made by Management Agency and Music through its association with singer Gilbert O'Sullivan. Mr Justice Mars-Jones said that the orner had been exploited by Mr Gordon Mills his former manager, chairman of MAM. He awarded Mr O'Sullivan the copyright of his songs, with records master tapes. In his judgment the judge said that between 1970 and 1978 Gilbert O'Sullivan records had grossed about £14.5m — from which Mr O'Sullivan made about £400,000 before tax. The MAM board says it has been advised to appeal.

Chequepoint checks fraud

Chequepoint, which runs twelve late night cheque cashing branches in central London, is reporting for fraud around 30 or 40-holders of stolen cheque cards each month, saving the high street banks an estimated £250,000 a year. On average each bank branch could expect to spot just one stolen cheque card a year. "Our counter staff are always on the lookout for potential fraud", Mr Anthony Hutton, chief executive of Chequepoint, said. Cashiers are also trained to spot counterfeit

Britain must cease being the soft market for the socalled developing world and action was needed against countries which blocked imports of British goods by crippling duties while have ing free access to the United Kingdom, Mr Geof-frey Moore, Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders president said in London yesterday.

The United Kingdom produced 19 per cent more oil than it consumed in the first quarter of this year, the largest surplus yet in seven years of North Sea output, according to Department of Energy figures published yesterday. Output was up by 7.5 per cent on the year before to 23.5 million tonnes,

urged by Mr Walter Gold-smith, director-general of the Institute of Directors, 10 give away loss-making nationalized industries. He told a London conference the private sector should be paid to remove the burden of loss-makers on public funds.

to buy Kensal House Invest-ments, owner of the 16-club Lucania group.

Pound and shares recover after nervous trading

The pound fell sharply in erratic trading against Continental currencies, though it finished stronger against a weaker dollar, while Government stocks and shares also lost received. lost ground,

The Treasury's announcement that Britian's gold and currency reserves fell by \$810m last month to their

measuring its wider inter-national value dropped 0.5 to 89.6 per cent of its 1975 level, reflecting falls against European currencies such as the Deutschemark.

The dollar was hit by lower short term interest rates and Monetary Fe expectations that rates are half of which likely to fall further in the repayment.

No sign of

recovery,

CBI says

By Edward Townsend Industrial Correspondent

Employers' leaders again

clashed with the Government yesterday over the prospects

for Britain's economic re-vival. There was, said the Confederation of British Industry, "still no evidence of any noticeable recovery in

activity."
The CBI's April industrial trends survey of 1,695 manu-

facturing companies.
shows that demand remains
flat and nine out of ten
compaines expect output to

be constrained in the coming

be constrained in the coming months by a shortage of orders or sales.

The only bright spots are a marginal improvement in business optimism, a small rise in profitability and a more widespread improvement in corporate liquidity.

The CBFs stark message contrasts sharply with the

contrasts sharply with the

recent pronouncement from Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that a modest and reasonable broadly based economic re-

covery was under way.
But Sir James Cleminson,
chairman of the CBI's econ-

ornic situation committee, said yesterday: "Government ministers are looking on the

bright side, which I would do

if I were a politician. But overall I do not think that there has been a coming off

the bottom of recession that

with government ministers in criticizing the National Econ-omic Development Office and

Mr. Geoffrey Chandler, its director general, for the absence of practical pro-

posals in a report submitted to the full NEDC on future

The report which is to be broadened in scope to include firm recommendations and put to the council later

in the year was described by Mr Patrick Jenkin the Indus

The Co-operative move-ment may still be the number one grocery multiple, but the

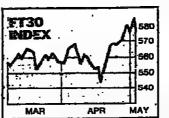
Finicial markets reated short term, now that the nervously yesterday to British losses in the South Atlantic late in Tuesday and business was dominated by the United States authorities.

Against the Deutschemark

standing at \$18,159m (£10,105m) at the end of April, their lowest since March 1979. After adjusting

scale than last autumn, when sterling threatened to col-

lapse.
Loan repayments from the reserves last month included \$106m of the International Monetary Fund Oil Facility, Tuesday's on the stock half of which was an early market looked overdone, and repayment. This brings in light trading shares were



Britain's outstanding debt under this facility to SDR 155m (Special Drawing - about £97m

\$810m last month to their for loan repayments and lowest for more than three valuation changes the undersumpact.

The pound fell to \$1.7950 at one stage yesterday before from Tuesday and its highest for six weeks. But the index measuring its wider intervals intervals in the stage of the pound following the Falklands intervals interval affected by net repayments yesterday, of public sector borrowing under the exchange cover scheme of \$69m, and a revaluation fall of \$77m.

The man yesterday to 63 the fall of \$77m.

In yesterday's uncertainty, Tuesday's on the stock market looked overdone, and

marked down, particularly in the kindustrial sector. But by the close some shares were recovering and the FT 30 index closed down 8.8 at 575.4, compared to 570.1 at 10 o'clock.

Gilts were down about half a point in the long and medium sectors of the mar-ket, and shorts recovered at the end of the day to be down about a quarter.

In the United States insti-tution investors have moved back stroungly into Wall Street after the profit-miking and nervousness seen earlier

The market is now shredding off bad news, ignoring the Falkland Islands crisis and the lack of a compromise on the United States budget to continue the long rally which began seven weeks

WHITEHALL **BACKS NEW** TECH FIRMS

By Bill Johnstone

Mr. Patrick Jenkin, Sec-retary of State for Industry, last night reaffirmed the Government's intention to favour the new technology industries instead of support-

He announced the Government's commitment in a speech last night at the annual dinner of the Electronic Engineering Associ-

took over at the department and asked for a breakdown of our spending, I was astonished to learn that no less than half my budget goes to support the casualties of the past. I am determined to change this".

current trade deficit of about E230m in information technology goods, highlighted last week in a report by the National Economic Develop-ment Council was totally unacceptable.

Another report prepared for the NEDC also stresses the growing trade gab

consumer electronics.

ation. Mr Jenkin said: "When I

The electronics industry

to what needs to be done to stop it happening," he said.

ing what he terms the "casualties of the past".

He emphasized that the

and the Government must address themselves urgently

picture is almost as gloomy. General Accident like any other, is still being squeezed by low premium rates, caused by the fierce competition and overcapacity in the industry, and beauting the still and the still

P&O remains fixed in the City's eyes as a shipping company which makes a pittance from the trade. Last year the group's net profit from ships, excluding OCL, was a mere £2m, although just under half total assets (of around

hence the share price gyrations on rumours of bida from Chinese owners. strikes at Southampton,

degrees. In the United Kingdom, General Accident now has P & O derived the bulk of its to resolve the problem of 1981 pretax profit of £41m (down from a peak £47.1m, but proof of a remarkable recovery after the £729,000 motor rates at a time when the market is looking increasingly unhealthy. may be down by a fifth or more, but at least there should still be scope to raise

States, over-capacity and conservation. But Bovis profits Jumped from £2.3m to £6.8m, despite the con-struction slump, and the other divisions made useful contributions with th excep-tion of ferries. At least the losses here were down from £8.1m to £6.7m — and a further cut is expected this year after 15 per cent price

ships will continue, leaving the group to concentrate on its interest in specialist container vessels. Debt is down from a peak of £420m to £270 — including a £10m fall in the latest year and gearing is a conservative 30 per cent. Profits in 1982 current share price of 145p. up 6p, compares with a as a whole, there are signs around 400p.

mprovement

to join the International in the World Bank is
Monetary Fund. An IMF
spokesman said Hungary's
membership application was
approved by a wide margin
by the 145 member countries
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ease the growing final including the United States. The Reagan Administration has been less supportive of Poland's still pending IMF

membership application.

A high-level delegation of Hungarians led by Mr Jozsef Marjai, the deputy prime minister, has been in Washington for almost a

in the World Bank is ex-

ease the growing financial pressures on Romania, pressures on Romania, already a member organiza-tion, by lifting a five-month suspension of its borrowng

Western banks and

has been attempting in recent months to refinance an estimated \$2,300m in debt more than 300 Western banks. Romania became the first Sovier Block country to join the IMF when its membership application was approved in 1973.

in taking the decisions of admitting Hungary and providing financial support to Romania, the IMF has prominister, has been in credit because it failed to Romania, the IMF has pro-Washington for almost a carry out certain, specified vided important psychologi-week for talks with both the economic reforms and it was cal and practical support to IMF and the World Bank. falling behind in repayments the two Communist nations



British tarpet industry, when BMK was advertised for sale. Mr. Logue has bought the Scotth ... manufacturer of Axminster, Wilton and tufted carpets for an undisclosed Page 18

COMPANIES

John Mowlem

Comfort Hotels

gross, making an unchanged total of 0.86p. Matthew Hall

Provisional figures of vehicle production (April). tousing starts and completions

(March).

Company results — interims — (Moss Engineering, MY Dart, Royal Bank of Scotland, Sungei Bahru Rubber, Transvaal Land, Finals — Altifund, Doankande

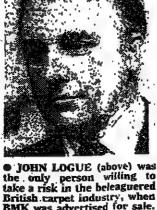


John Mowlem, the international construction group, advanced profits by almost a quarter to £7.8m compared with £6.3m in the year to December 31, 1981. Group turnover in the year advanced by only 14 per cent to £271m from £240.

Matthew Hall, the oil and chemical engineers, raised pretax profits to £10.3m from £9.5m for the year to December 1981, and saw its ordinary shares rise 1p to 194p yesterday as a result.

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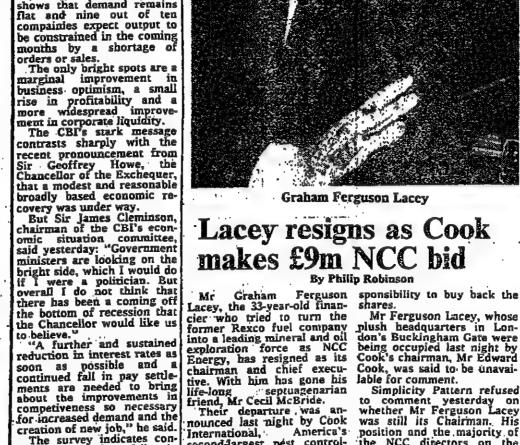


After plunging to a pre-tax loss of £93,000 at the half-way stage, Comfort Hotels Inter-national made a second half recovery with taxable profits of £607,000 in 1981 against £1.40m the previous year. The final dividend is held at 0.57p

gap between it and J. Sainsbury is narrowing. The latest Audits of Great Britain returns for March show Sainsbury with 15.3 per cent of the packaged grocery market (up from 13 per cent in March last year) while the Co-op was down to 16.2 per cent from 17.4 per cent a

year ago. The successful march of Sainsbury took another stride forward yesterday with annual results showing a near 23 per cent increase in near 23 per cent increase in sales over 1980, with pretax profits up nearly 36 per cent. At the same time 1981 returns from the Manchester-based Co-operative Wholesale Society (CWS), while showing an impressive trading profits rise of 44 per cent, showed a sales rise of only 5 per cent.

only 5 per cent. Tesco Stores is still num- societies' market share.



plush beadquarters in Lon-don's Buckingham Gate were being occupied last night by Cook's chairman, Mr Edward Cook, was said to be unavailable for comment.

Simplicity Pattern refused to comment yesterday on whether Mr Ferguson Lacey was still its Chairman. His tinued extensive falls in manufacturing employment and the CBI estimates that job losses will average 15,000 a month up to July. This would confirm its forecast that unemployment will reach a peak of 3.250 million.

Twenty-four per cent of companies are more optimistic than they position and the majority of the NCC directors on the Simplicity board, arose from NCC's 20 per cent holding. Mr Ferguson Lacey was negotiating the sale of that holding—a major factor in the NCC balance sheet— when he heard that a takeover bid for his company had been made.

Twenty-four per cent of companies are more optimistic than they were four months ago, despite the uncertainties over the deepening Falklands crisis.

CBI leaders later with governments. Cook has now ordered thorough investigation NCC's finances covering its business activities, assets and liabilities, by accountant Peat Marwick Mitchell. Peat NCC shares as collateral for a \$6.7m loan which enabled NCC to buy more shares in the American group, Sim-plicity Pattern, where Mr. Marwick Mitchell. Peat Marwick has already been appointed receivers to Mr Ferguson Lacey's private investment vehicle, Birming-Ferguson Lacey was chairham and Midland Counties Trust Holdings, which has Under the terms of the not filed accounts with option, Cook could insist that Companies House since 1980. Mr Ferguson Lacey and Mr It is controlled by Mr McBride buy back the shares Ferguson Lacey and Mr mcBride only back the shales ferguson. Lacey and Mr at a £1 each, plus interest on the loan. It was still unclear trust, the Cecil Foundation. I have son Lacey and Mr McBride trust, the Cecil Foundation. The receivers said last might they were still waiting were individual parties to for updated figures on the that agreement or whether Cecil Foundation and they share a combined re-

try Secretary, as like "wres-tling with cotton wool." Rise in sales lags behind inflation

Co-op loses market share

By Derek Harris, Commercial Editor



Paxton: fighting back

ber three at 13.2 per cent (13.5 per cent a year ago) and Asda, part of Associated Dairies Group, at 6.1 per cent (7.8 per cent previously).

CWS food division sales, up
6.4 per cent and so lagging
behind the sector inflation

rate of 7.3 per cent, indicate

an erosion of the retail .

But retail societies have held their market share in household durables while losing further ground in clothing and footwear, ac-cording to the CWS report.

Mr Dennis Landau was

Mr Dennis Landau was chief executive, oulined how the Co-op was now fighting back, including a new lan for retail societies to capitalize on their wide holdings of freehold property. A chain of CWS regional distribution centres are now bringing a big increase in the coordination of buying and marketing by retail societies. ing by retail societies.

Profitability at CWS the higgest trading entity in the movement Co-op movement with £1,900m turnover, arose from improved profits in some trading divisions, including funeral services and optica manufacture, Mr Landau

Sainsbury results, page 18

During the year decrease were taken to case all harmeness for which no producible future could resourcibly be to reserv and providen has this been stude by all further argumental representation expenses The results at a charge for extraordinary items totalling £26 4m Material progress has been made in turning round loss makers with the protented markets justified the effort needed and all businesses

conditions in the current year. Nevertheless, earnings will be substantially up on those for 1981/82 The Report & Accounts will be posted to shareholders on the

Tootal Group pic

ing. There is now less risk of a sharp upward burst in prices when output picks up, although cynics may feel that this is partly

that business confidence is rising, even if orders are not. Those are the bright spots

for industry. For the Government, the good news

is that inflationary expec-tations are obviously cool-

because output shows little sign of recovering.

For the rest, the figures are a grim reminder that so far recovery has been painfully slow for most of Britain's industry. But nothing in the latest set of figures casts real doubt on the consinsus that output will rise by about 1½ per quarter a year ago, but will rise by a larger than for the whole of cent this year.

P & O Mixed picture

Whatever the public thinks.

£700m) are in ships.
Yet in the past six months, all the headlines have revolved around ships, A conglomerate, then, with shipping interests,

earned at the interim stage) from oil trading, Bovis, banking and property.
Oil profits fell from £17.2m to £10.6m due to deregulation in the United

rises.
The sale of bulk cargo

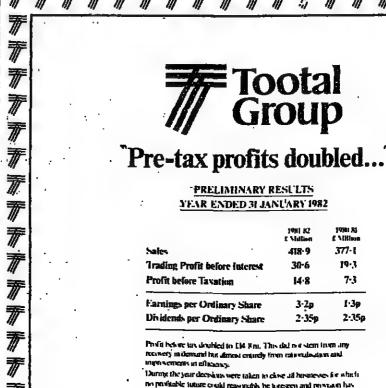
Hungary wins membership of IMF

ductivity goes on apace.

From Bailey Morris, Washington, May 5 Hungary has become the Now the IMF application has to second Soviet Block country been approved membership con

capability.
Last November, the IMF suspended Romania's access to a \$1,300m (£72m) line of

The Romanian goverment In addition to approving months to refinance an Hungary's application, the estimated \$2,300m in debt iMF has also taken steps to repayments due this year to refinance and repayments due to repayments due to repayments due this year to repayments due to repay



are now capable of making an adequate return given reasonable is a impossible to be confident of an improvement in world trading

> 28 May 1982 and the Annual General Meeting will be held in Manchester on 23 June 1982

Falklands uncertainty depresses shares

MARKET SUMMARY

Uncertainty about the outcome in the South Atlantic can be translated into political uncertainty which the market distikes above all. That is why yesterday saw a reversal of Tuesday's rally.

But leading brokers remarked that the market did not feel as appear. The manufacturing companies in the index were down quite heavily, as recent rises were judged overdone against the background of the stagnant British

So Turner & Newall was down 3p at 66p, ICI fell by 6p to 320p. Vickers dropped by 3p to 163p.

The market had come off the day. The opening index showed a all of 14.1, it railied to a level down 8 points by noon, came back to a fall of 10 points at 3 o'clock and recovered to a drop of 8.8 on the day by 5 o'clock. There was a low volume of trading, although those lines that were around were said to have found a ready home given that the jobbers were still short of stock after the raily on Friday night and on Tuesday.

There was a large amount of Thom EMI on offer from the market, and the price closed down 13p at 420p. Analysts have become nervous of prospects for

figures disappointed the market, and the shares fell by 10p to

LATEST RESULTS

288p. Analysts marked down their torecasts for Royal and Commercial Union, whose figures are due next week, as the underwriting background in the United Kingdom and the United States is obviously worse than feared, with compe-

Additionally, the bad weather this winter has increased the cash payment of claims reducing the opportunity of investment profits. Royal closed unchanged at 331, but Commercial Union was down 4p at 126p, and Eagle Star dropped by 10p to 352p.

Other moves on company news was a drop in Smith St Aubyn shares by 4p to 35p on the loss. P&O Did rose by 5p to 144p on

Some banks were depressed by the Falklands news, with Lloyds down 4p at 396p, as their particular worries about its Argentine involvement. National Westminster was down 11p at 405p. But Barclays was unchanged at 448p and Midland stayed at 323p.

Sainsbury closed unchanged at 650p on its 35 per cent profits rise and the scrip issue. Trident TV eased a further 4p to 78p awaiting the court decision on its casino

most startling rise in the market, 50 per cent of the existing gaining 37p to 170p on hopes of a shares. The share price fell favourable decision on the tunnel 26p.

down 3p at 210p after the rebuff of its bid for Anderson Strathclyde, whose shares closed at

Lasmo was 342p against 354p, as the chairman's statement was described as gloomy about North Sea profits prospects and tax discouragement. The prospects for a merger with Oil Exploration, whose immediate prospects were the Andrew Field and the T Block. were delayed, the chairman said,

Rothmans rose a further 41/2p to 98p on hopes of a bid from Philip Morris. United Scientific was up 8p at 338p on the Egyptian optics contract. But Ductile fell 7p to 146p on profittaking after Glynwed's bid.

Gold shares were steady. Active shares including Plessey, down 8p at 395p, Land Securities, down was also down 1p at 202p.

H. Young Holdings, the Surrey-based motor distributors is proposing a one for one rights issue at 25p share to raise approximately £190,000 net, to finance a Mercedes Benz distributorship. The company says firm under-takings have already beean received from certain existing holders that they will take up Channel Tunnel was again the acceptances amount to around

General Accident's first quarter

Company Int or Fin	Sales Em	Profits Em	Earmogs per shere	Div	Pay date.	Year s
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Sainsbury still confounds the pessimists

To the casual observer, Sainsbury the food retailing group has more reasons than most for failure, (Anthony Hilton writes). Estab-lished well over 100 years, it is still firmly in the hands of its founding amily, with three in the boardroom. Worse, according to conventional

wisdom, Sir John Sainsbury chair-man and chief executive insists on being involved with every last detail of the company to the extent that, as one analyst put it, if a customer complains about a tin of sardines he calls the buyer in for an explanation. Finally the company is a pillar of the food business which means that in times of recession it should, if not suffer, at least struggle a little.

Instead it rewrites the pessimists' textbooks. Pretax profits for the year to the end of last February were £89m against £65,8m — a 36 per cent increase which came on top of a 43 per cent spurt in 1980.

Sales rose 22.7 per cent to £1,950m from £1,589m and after associated company interests, £5.7m for the staff profit sharing scheme up even more than profits, — and a £15.4m tax charge (£12.7m) the net profit comes out 27 per cent ahead at £68m. Shareholders benefit too. Earn-

ings per share are 23.74p (17.74p) and the shares, up 5p at 655p on the heavily anticipated good news, sell on a fully-taxed price/earnings ratio

The company proposes a one for one scrip issue and a final dividend of 6.5p, making the total for the year of 9.75p (7.25p).

Sainsbury is now in a class of its own, clearly shead of Asda, the superstore pioneer, which is suffering from the costs of moving south, and Tesco, troubled by its move into non-foods. Hence a share rating which has more in common with a high-flying electronics company than food retailing. The rating reflects the company's virtuous circle — years of store building and modernization. Jeeding and modernization leading to pro-ductivity gains, which allow it to hold prices lower than its rivals but still make a better margin of 4.5 per



Sir John and customers at the Nine Elms store yesterday.

The real question is how much longer can it continue? An ebullient Sir John says the market is nowhere near to saturation, with scope for dozens of new stores in the north and improved outlets in the south. But the cost will be high, with a planned capital spend of £150m this year against £126m in 1981, probably too much to finance internally.

BMK carpets off the floor

Mr John Logue, the 52-year-old. Lancastrian businessman who has bought a big part of high quality carpet group Blackwood Morton & Sons from its receivers, was the only person willing to take a chance in the beleaguered carpet industry

when the company was advertised for sale (Philip Robinson writes).

Through his private group SAP, Mr Logue has bought BMK, makers of Axminster, Wilton and tufted carpets, whose former parent company went into receivership six

months ao owing £6.5m. He owns 67 per cent of BMK. The remainder is owned by an unnamed partner and held through a Swiss nominee holding company.

But yesterday he refused to disclose the price, daiming the receivers had asked him to keep it secret. However, because of the complexity of the deal, it was agreed with the receivers that no purchase price figure was meaningful.

There was also some confusion over the value of the assets he had bought through SAP; his Gloucester-based engineering company. Mr Logue estimated them at £10m, but sources close to the Kilmar-nock-based company said they would be surprised if the figure was

Mr Logue, an engineer and former deputy managing director of Bowyers food group, has bought the freehold of one million so ft of mixed quality factory space on four sites in Kilmarnock and the lease on BMK's principal Riverside factory. The freehold of this site was sold by the receiver to the Scottish Development Agency.

With the purchase will go an estimated £5m of potential tax losses. BMK, which had been losing money since 1976 and once employed 1,500, now has a workforce of 200. This is likely to rise next month to 340 as the company starts work on a new order. Mr Logue expects to break even or show a modest profit for the year to next December on a turnover of about

BMK is now a 67 per cent owned subsidiary of his SAP group which be bought from the receiver in 1970 for £12,000.

£2.75m loss at St Aubyn-

Smith St Aubyn, the discount house which revealed £20m of losses on gilts in January after being badly caught out by rising interest rates, reported a £2.75m loss in the year to April 5 (Peter Wilson-Smith writes). The loss, which compares with a £3.4m profit the previous year, was struck after transferring out most of the group's hidden reserves and vas also reduced by recovery of tax.

However, Smith has still ended the year in slightly better shape than some in the City feared. It made profits in the final quarter and seems to have benefited from the rise in the gilts market earlier this year. At one stage in January the group had a deficit to reserves and no hidden reserves; but by the year-end it had retained profits of £1.6m and, to prevent uncertainty, the group has taken the unusual step of disclosing up to £500,000 of hidden reserves.

reserves.
After the £2.7m rights After the £2.7m rights issue. Smith now has published capital and reserves of £8.6m compared with £9.3m in April 1981. Most of the previous year's huge gilt holdings have been liquidated and gilts in the balance sheet were down from £308m to £4.7m at the year-end, Bills discounted have risen from £211m to £301m, although total balance sheet footings have still contracted sharply from £605m to £363m.

CHARTERHOUSE

The Charterhouse Group plc

Mr Nigel Mobbs reports

The group made good progress in 1981 despite the worldwide recession. With the enlarged merchant bank under new direction and further divestment within the industrial sector a new, more aggressive strategy was pursued. There was, as a result, a substantial increase in the amount invested in new and existing companies in the United Kingdom, France and North America and this continues.

Group profit before taxation increased by 40 per cent, a commendable performance in the depressed economic climate. The attributable profit after taxation suffered from a high tax charge caused by the non tax-relievable profit arising in overseas territories and in associated companies, notably Charterhouse Petroleum, which also suffered the first imposition of Supplementary Petroleum Duty.

		·	· £ mi	llion
Results in brief			1981	1980
Capital employed			158.4	143.2
Shareholders' funds			114.6	117.1
* Profit before interest	٠.		31.2	23.8
* Profit before taxation	·	· .	22.6	16.1
* Profit after taxation before extraordinary items			11.0	11.7
Earnings per ordinary share			7.12p	9.64p
Dividends per ordinary share	<u> </u>		4.925p	4.51p

The directors recommend an increased final dividend of 3.0 pence per Ordinary Share which, when aggregated with the interim payment, amounts to 4.925 pence for the year.

Profits from development capital activities were particularly encouraging in 1981. £14 million was invested in seventeen companies during the year in the United Kingdom, France and North America. The group continues to invest actively both as a minority and a majority shareholder. Although the recession continued, some companies managed to perform outstandingly well. Newage Engineers, which manufactures alternators, had an excellent year both at home and in its export markets. Building products, tool hire and the industrial distribution sector generally were badly hit but are now more optimistic about the future. In France, Groupe Expand, which provides promotional services for pharmaceutical companies, more than doubled its profits and

The bank's activities and strategy have been carefully reviewed and the management team strengthened by new appointments. The sale of Holding Financier, the holding company of the Swiss and French banking operations of Keyser Ullmann, was completed in September 1981. The Charterhouse Japhet Act, concerning the integration of Charterhouse Japhet and Keyser Ullmann, received Royal Assent in April 1981. This allowed all trading to be conducted in the name of Charterhouse Japhet with effect from the 1st June 1981.

The results for 1981 begin to reflect the benefits of the merger, including increased business opportunities resulting from the enlarged capital base. I have every confidence that we shall go from strength to strength in our now sizeable merchant bank.

. The planned strategy which the group has been developing in recent years is now beginning to produce success and a more aggressive investment policy is being pursued.

The strong operational performance of the group in 1981 arose from its policy of establishing a

substantial merchant bank, creating a broadly based international investment portfolio, and supporting managements with successful and proven track records. The wide range of the group's investments will continue to play an important part in its defence against unfavourable economic events.

Nigel Mobbs Chairman

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STATISTICS

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General

THREE-MONTHS'RESULTS

Interim Statement

The results for the three months ended 31st March 1982, estimated and subject to audit, are compared below with those for the similar period in 1981, which are restated at actual results for the full gear 1981.

	3 Months to 31.3.82 Estimate £ Millions	3 Months to 31.3.81 Estimate E Millions	Actual Year 1981 £ Millions
Net written premiums— General Business	285.1	258.3	1039.7
Investment Income	42.3	34.9	156.9
Underwriting Results— General Business Long Term Insurance Profits	(54.1) 1.1	(15.7) 0.9	(52.9) 4.2
	(10.7)	20.1	108.2
Loan Interest and Employee Profit Sharing Scheme	0.4	0.8	3.3
Profit (Loss) before Tax and Minority Interests Taxation Minority Interests and Preference Dividend	(11:1) (9.8)	19:3 6.0 0.3	104.9 ;31.7
Net Profit (Loss) attributable to Shareholders	(1.5)	13.0	71.9
Principal exchange rates used in converting overseas results U.S.A. Canada	\$1.78 \$2.19	\$1.91 \$2.27	\$1.91 \$2.27

It must be emphasised that the results for the interim period do not necessarily provide a reliable indication of those for the full year.

Net written premiums and investment income increased in sterling terms by 10.4% and 21.2% respectively. Adjusted to-

exclude the effects of currency fluctuations the increases were 7.7% and 17.7% respectively.

The deterioration in underlying underwriting experience at home and overseas continued into 1982, but the first quarter result has also borne the impact of the worst weather losses ever experienced by the Corporation. For the U.K. alone,

these are estimated at £20m.

In the United Kingdom, net written premiums were £113.4m (1981 £107.6m) and there was an underwriting loss (including weather losses) of £27.7m. (1981, £2.4m loss). The weather losses impaced most severely on the Homeowners', Motor and Traders' accounts where the total underwriting losses: were £10.2m, £7.2m and £6.2m respectively. The Industrial Fire account, suffering intense competition on rates and an increase in national fire wastage, also produced a loss of

In the United States, net written premiums were \$181.3m (1981 \$177.7m), with an operating ratio of 111.04% as compared with 106.32% for the same period last year. On the United Kingdom basis, the underwriting loss amounted to £11.6m (1981 £6.8m loss). All major lines produced losses with the Automobile account showing a substantial

Elsewhere, Canada and Australia both produced increased underwriting losses and the Republic of Ireland suffered severely from weather losses.

General Accident Fire & Life Assurance Corporation plc-

World Headquarters, General Buildings, Perth, Scotland.

-. -5m loss a

APPOINTMENTS

Three join central TSB board

Mr Neville R Barkes, chairman TSB North East, Mr Kenneth A Millichap, chairman TSB North West and Mr Peter J Cook, general manager TSB Wales & Border Counties have been made directors of Central Trustee Savings Bank (CTSB).

Mr Tom Mayer is the new president of the Electronic Engineering Association. Mr Mayer is chairman and managing director of Thorn EMI

Mr Roy Haines has been appointed to the new position of deputy treasurer of National Westminster Bank's International Banking Division. Mr Dennis Webb has been

promoted to finance director and company secretary of the Charles Clark Motor. Group after eight years as group chief accountant

Mr Joe Diedrich has been International, a wholly-owned subsidiary of PHH Group Incor-Mr John Skeffington has

become a director of Cayzer, Irvine Shipping. Mr B. Rombough has been appointed chief executive officer of PanCanadian Petroleum, Mr Robert R Campbell, formally chairman and chief executive

Mr. Dermot de Trafford. deputy chairman of Low & Bonar is to become chairman of the group on June 1. Mr Yves Bonavero has joined the partnership of E. D. & F.

Man.
Mr Gordon Wileman of Nestié
has been elected treasurer of
the Automatic Vending Association of Great Britain. Mr Ian
Plummer of City Vending has
been reelected chairman of the
association. Mr Roger Thomas
of Mars Money Systems Division
and Mr Mike Belton of Lin Pac and Mr Mike Belton of Lin Pac Plastic Containers, have been elected to the association's

board of management. Mr J. A. Club will become

Watmoughs Limited and bridge in the proof tiles most materials increased the chairman of Watmoughs (Holdings). Mr Colin Maughan becomes deputy chairman of Watmoughs Limited, Mr Douglas official figures disguise many of the Greaves has retired from the boards of Watmoughs (Holding) and D. H. Greaves. He will become a consultant to Wat-

moughs (Holding).
Mr Leonard Humphrey, managing director of Humphrey Scaffolding (Brighton), has been president of the National Association of Scaf-folding Contractors The gravity-defying act performed

Construction: the slow build-up

Channel tunnels and the odd power station apart there is little to cheer Britain's hard-pressed construction industry. Cutbacks in North Sea oil development and public sector spending have all taken their toll on previously ambitious plans,

Regarded as a reliable economic barometer, most parts of the industry are showing few immediate signs of recovery. Yet within the gloom which has threatened to suffocate builders a few glimmers of light can be seen breaking through the swelling ranks of unemployed construction workers and idle

construction workers and the equipment.

Housebuilding in particular is at last on the increase. Figures released today by the Department of the Environment will show a continuing rise in the number of houses being built.

There is also evidence of improving performance by major companies. Recently Tarmac produced results ahead of market expectations with pretax profits advancing by some 19 per cent to a record £52.1m on turnover only marginally ahead at

The downside of all this is that while the building groups are looking fitter, albeit leaner, material suppliers and producers are still convalescing. Blue Circle, for example, points out how producer's margins have been under extreme pressure during the last year or so.

And the interim workload survey from the civil engineering contract. from the civil engineering contrac-tors does not exactly paint a picture of health, vitality and optimism. The Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors quarterly report indicates that workload continues to decline although at a slower rate than the industry has become accustomed to since the late 1970s. What precious little confidence actually exists, in among major, companies is almost exclusively account these tendering for second among those tendering for repair and maintenance contracts.

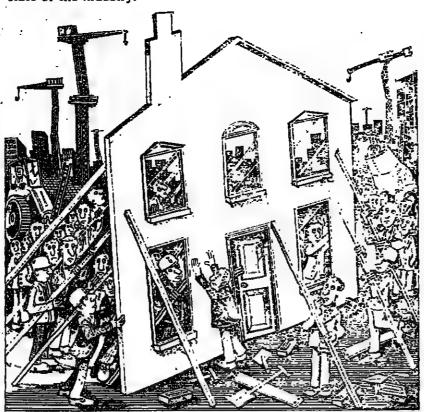
Perhaps surprisingly, when seen against the background of company results, total output in the construc-tion industry declined by about 12 per cent last year. A level which, according to one of the leading construction analysts Savory Milln, will be maintained in the current

year.
What has saved most construction executive vice president of the British Scrap Federation on June 1, succeeding Mr R. S. Boast who will be a consultant to the federation.

Mr Jack Watmough has infer in the industry than had been originally forecast. Most contractors had budgeted for fairly hefty rises in labour and material retired from the boards of costs in 1981 — something which did watmoughs Limited and Bridge for the proof tiles most materials increased

> official figures disguise many of the massive discounts offered by suppliers and producers in order to maintain volume and keep down stock levels. Although official brick prices rose by around 13 per cent in 1981 the actual increase paid by end users was very much less. So, in a sense contractors were cushioned from the full effects of a poor

A series of better-than-expected profits from publicly-quoted construction companies and relatively buoyant house-building statistics have fuelled optimism about a recovery in the industry. Much of the sector — generally thought to be a bell-wether for the economy — is still however suffering from a deep recession with little immediate hope of relief. Baron Phillips assesses the state of the industry.



by contractors in 1981 is unlikely to continue in 1982-83. Tender prices declined by about one per cent last year — and as the civil engineers survey points out, there are fewer invitations to tender — which would come through in company results over the next two years.

Perhaps more important will be the pressure from producers and suppliers to increase their margins and ease the financial noose which has been hanging around their necks. There is a distinct feeling within the industry that it is bracing itself for some fairly hefty price rises during the year. And of course, just as the real decline in costs was disguised last year, so official increases in 1982 are likely to be modified.

At the same time construction projects have been hitting deadlines with greater frequency. Rising unemployment in the industry has meant a freely available and willing workforce on tap. This has also had the effect of keeping wage rises in line with inflation at worst and a lot lower at best. Buildings going up quicker have had the effect of keeping finance charges under

Against this background at least one sector of the industry is leading the charge into long term healthier profits. In 1980 private sector housing hit an all-time low with

starts around 96,000 despite a huoyant property market. Last year saw house builders begin construc-tion on 21 per cent more homes and this year the figure is likely to rise to about 135,000, although more optimistic industry pundits believe it may be as much as 140,000. There is may be as much as 140,000. There is even expected to be an increase in the amount of local authority housing from last year's 36,000 units to around 40,000.

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1973	328.5	1978	264.7		
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This trend is underlined in the Department of the Environment's latest construction orders figures. Total orders for new work in the three months to February were similar to the previous quarter but 4 per cent lower than than the same period a year ago. Hidden within the Government statistics was the surprising trend of public housing cent over the earlier three months and a staggering 78 per cent higher, than a year ago.

The recovery however is from an anysmally low level. Money allocated for this work has crashed dramatically from £951m (at constant 1975 seasonally adjusted prices) in 1978 to only £342m last year. This has been the direct result of Covernment policy to exist. of Government policy to switch housing resources away from the public to private sector.

Construction companies continue Construction companies continue to be extremely concerned about falling orders from the public sector. Although the Chancellor announced a 14 per cent increase capital expenditure to more than £10,250m in the Budget the industry believed it was an almost meaning. helieved it was an almost meaningless rise because it was from a low base and because there has been a growing reluctance on the part of local authorities to spend money.

It is estimated that as much as It is estimated that as much as £700m is kept in local authority coffers which could be available for new public works. But this money is unlikely to find its way into capital expenditure account as councils are eager to keep down current costs.

It is volume housebuilders like Barratt Developments, Wimpey, Tarma Ideal and Bovis who can expect improved activity and profits during the present year. The sector has already undergone a major shake up as high interest rates, falling prices and soaring unemploy-ment destroyed complacency. For the first time builders had to go out and sell houses rather than simply build them and wait for buyers to walk on to a site,

The other glimmer on the horizon is the amount of repair and maintenance work available for companies. According to Savory Milln the outturn in this sector in 1981-82 is estimated to be £1,850m and should rise to just under £2,000m in the present year. These figures of course relate to publicly rigures of course feath to publicly accounted contracts covering major works, but the real figure is thought to be around the £3,800m level when the less easily definable private housing repair and maintenance work is included.

Overseas the general picture is equally gloomy. Falling oil prices have meant a drastic reduction of spending on capital projects by Opec members, especially in the Middle East, Nigeria and Mexico. As our major construction and civil engine ring groups like Costain and Taylor Woodrow have discovered, they must search farther afield for work and competition is becoming extremely intense as the world recession bites hard.

Even so companies like Tarmac illustrate that there is work on the international market and that it can be profitable. Materials producers such as Blue Circle received a major contribution to profits from its international division with substaninternational division with substantial uplift coming from its operation in North America. On the home front the group is looking for further redundancies which will lop, about 30 per cent of its workforce since the start of the last financial

The worst may be over for the construction industry, but there is unlikely to be any serious rise in business over the next 18 months.

C. Gordon Tether

When the tail wags the dog

massive foreign debts some countries have been encouraged to build up by the enthusiasm of the banking community for lending them money. But the probe into the sudden indebtedness issue should not stop here It should also look at

closely related question. It concerns tendency for the fast rise in debt totals to create situations where the need to give priority to financial consideration in policymaking is such that the international financial

the international financial tail is apt to be found wagging the international political dog.

It was reported last week that influential members of Congress, including Mr Henry Reuss, chairman of the Joint Economic Committee were calling for mittee, were calling for hearings on the "ability of the banks to make large international loans without seriously undermining the world's financial struc-

Many commentators in this country have been making the same point that the time may have come to impose restraints on the lending activities of the banking community. What has attracted much less attention is the extent to which the banks' lending excesses are beginning to complicate the political decision-making process

Vocal

It has to be said that there have been two occasions in recent years on which officialdom showed no willingness to allow international financial considerations to deter it from pursuing political purposes. The United States authorities established a "discussion exclusion zone round their decision to freeze Iranian assets in retaliation for the seizure of

the embassy hostages.
The British authorities have acted in exactly the same way in the Falklands

But there has not been the same readiness to exclude the foreign indebtedness factor from the debate on what attitude the West could most appropri-ately adopt towards the international political issues raised by events in Poland. The financial communities O Times Newspapers Limited, 1982

There is a growing demand for an inquiry into the implications for the world's financial health of the massive foreign debts some countries have been encourdictate the West's reaction to Poland's foreign debts

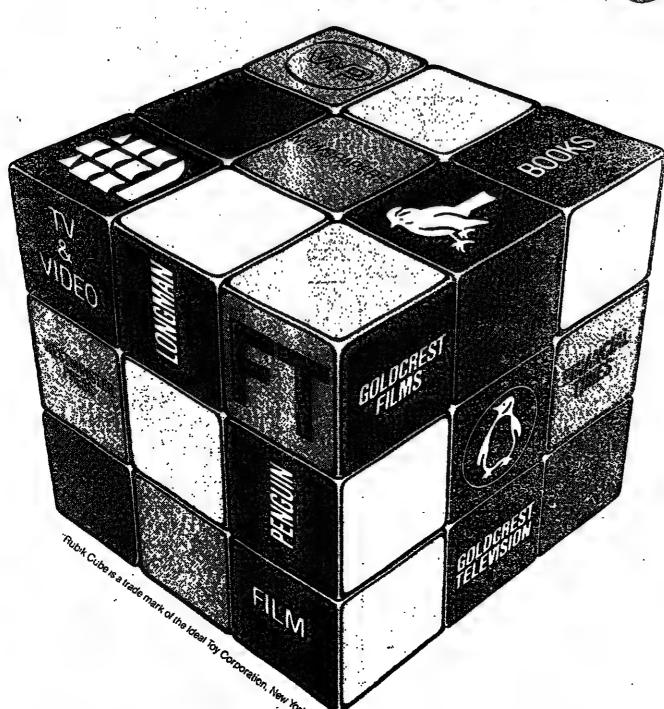
problem. There are good grounds for thinking that in this instance the agitation achieved its purpose. It seems pretty clear that Western governments have been willing to help the Polish military regime cope with its foreign debts probwith its foreign debts prob-lems to a materially greater extent than they would have been if there had not been the major intervention in the matter by the inter-national financial lobby.

Mr Henry Wallich, one of the top men in the American central banks hierarchy, recently said that, if the United States declared Poland in default for purely political reasons, it would set a precedent that could do widespread damage to the mechanisms of inter-national credit. Following such a move, banks would have to be concerned that international credit had become "a pawn of political

It has to be conceded that the freezes imposed on the use of Iranian and Argentine assets did constitute cases of international credit being made "a pawn of political purpose". But it is certainly arguable that the attitude that has been adopted towards the Polish debts problem involves the exact opposite of that process. By being careful not to push the Poles into default for fear of the repercussions this might have on the world's mone tary system, the Western countries were effectively making political purpose of international

The moral of the Polish debts story is, indeed, that the greater the extent to which the international which the international banking community is allowed to encourage coun tries to build up large foreign debts, the greater will be the influence on the conduct of world affairs exercised by the international financial community. This is clearly something we need to think deeply about while there is

Making the right moves



- Penguin and Longman both set new records
- Financial Times returns to profit as European edition passes 34,000
 - Longman enters legal publishing with Oyez
 - Goldcrest builds the team to lead the British film industry
 - Pearson Longman starts Goldcrest Television and takes a stake in Yorkshire TV
 - Westminster Press free publications now reach 1.6 million homes
 - Goldcrest links with Penguin and Longman in two new video publishing ventures

in 1981 Pullin Books published 'You can do the Cube' by Patrick Bossert and Penguin Books published 'Mastering Rubik's Cube' by Don Taylor Both were worldwide best-sellers. Goldcrest Television then produced a prizewinning video cassette teaturing Patri

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PRODUCTIVITY

UP 3.4%

Salient points from the Statement by the

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Chairman, Sir John Sainsbury:

of 23% over two years.

year before.

☐ The sales increase of 22.7%

volume in existing stores up by 6%.

☐ We now serve more than five

Our prices during the last year;

were even more competitive than the

☐ For the fifth year in succession our.

supermarkets sales per square foot at

"constant prices" increased, bringing

☐ Productivity in terms of sales per

employee improved by a further 3.4%,

bringing the increase in five years to

28.5%. This has been made possible in

large part by the scale of our investment

programme which last year rose to the

highest ever at £126 million.

% MARKET SHARE 📝 🔄

the weekly figure to £12-well over

twice the average in the trade.

million customers a week, an increase

35.5%

STAFF

£5.7m

PROFIT

SHARING

Sketchley bids for **US firm**

Just a few days after its bid for Means, the American cleaning company, was de-feated, Sketchley has offered \$13m (£7m) cash for Rentex another American cleaning and reutal business.

Mr Gerald Wightman, Sketchley's chairman, said that the offer for Rentex had been considered before the

been consifered before the unsuccessful attempt on Means. The offer for Means was worth more than \$40m. The new offer prices Rentex, a public company, at \$13 a

The bid for Means was defeated by the higher offer from another American company, ARA Services, but Sketchley is less likely to be thwarted this time. About 58 per cent of the Rentex equity is controlled by the Gitlow family, which has agreed to sell. Under the laws of the state of Delaware, in which Rentex is incorporated, Sketchley may compulsorily take over the remainder.

Rentex rents workwear and linen to businesses and hospitals in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, California, Florida and Oregon. Its headquarters are in Philadelphia.

During the year to the end of last November, Rentex had a net income of \$1.2m from revenues of \$38.7m. Share-

SAINSBURY'S



Wightman: consistent growth record

funds came holders' \$12.6m. Mr Wightman said that the company had a bution to profits from consistent growth record, and good management.

But the industry

Sketchley's opportunities in Britain are limited by monopolies legislation. Mr Wightman said that Sketchley would pump extra funds into Rentex. The possibilities for providing a cleaning and rental service to large customers, such as hospitals, were particularly attractive.

Doors open for

February in spite of almost no real increase in sales.

Dividends for the year are being increased from 11.42p gross to 14.28p a share, with a 10.38p final distribution against the 10p minimum level forecast by the board at the time of February's £4.9m purchase of Normand Electrical

Normand, which manufactures electric motors, was loss making at the time, but it has returned to profit-ability with demand improving for its products.

Henderson's traditional sliding door gear and garage door divisions performed well during the year and a strong performance from subsidiaries in New Zealand, Norway and South Africa boosted the overseas contribution to profits from 19 per

But the industrial door division again experienced shrinking demand in the United Kingdom and earned a lower return on capital in the past year.

positive cash flow of more than £2m. After adjustment for the cash element of the Normand purchase year end borrowings were less than 20 per cent of shareholders funds.

Since the year end the purchase of Normand has been completed and the executive teams of both groups are working at realiz-ing the potential of the



Tom Cowie: -better returns

Cowie Group recovers

Cowie, Group, the Sunder-land-based motor dealer and credit finance company led by Mr Tom Cowie, has recovered in the half year to March, with prefax profits of The improved profits and £311,000: against losses of stock reductions generated a £135,000: last time. For the full year to September 1981, profits reached only £334,000.

Pressure on motor vehicle margins: remained severe, margins: remained severe, though volumes had held up relatively well Mr Cowie said yesterday. In the half year group sales were: £44m—the same againe first six months of the previous year. Sales for the year to September 1981 were £91m. The period as a while had continued to be difficult, he said, but the group was reaging the bengroup was reaping the ben-efits of last year's rationaliza-

The motor division saw a better performance as a result of his reorganization, result of his reorganization, and not through any improvement in overall trading conditions, he said. Full year profitability was expected in the coach and travel division after a dramatic turnaround from last year, and even the hard-pressed agricultural division was showing signs of full year profitability, he said.

Milletts Leisure Shops, the Northampton-based high street retailer increased pretax profits from £840,000 to February 1982 despite a severe fall in the trading profit to £327,000 from £605,000. This figure was after increased interest and depreciation charges as well depreciation charges as well Brixton record as a £20,000 loss from the Brixton

when apofits slumped to £96,000 from £306,000.

In the second half another new shop was opened in Cardiff. The board says the cycle of the company's capital expansion programme

was substantially completed during the year.

On the stock market, second half recovery and a maintained final dividend of 5.7p gross, making a total payout of 9.9p gross, boosted the share price 3p to 101p.

Cindico over the counter

the present year the directors are forecasting £725,000 pre-tax for 1982, with an interim dividend of 5.85p gross in September and a final distri-bution of 11.71p per share in

option of a quote on the OTC
Market after comparing the
cost with that of seeking a
full Stock Exchange listing
of a quotation on the Unlisted Securities Market, and
hecause it means the charge because it meant the shares being placed with people interested in the long term future of the company, Mr Downs said.

The group hopes to in-Milletts improve crease its share of the nursery equipment market which has shown an annual

group's associate company. Brixton Estate made Mr Alan Millett, chairman, record profits of £6 134m said the second half year had pretax for 1981, an advance shown a considerable im of 56 per cent from last provement over the first half year's £3.923m, helped by a when sprofits slumped to substantial number of rent 196 000 from 6306 000. E96,000 from £306,000. reviews and reversions. The Sales for the year moved, chairman is forecasting a shead to £177m against similar rise this year as £16.6m last time. In the first further reviews fall due on half new shops were opened the group's extensive indusor resided trial property portfolio.

Feedex has agreed to purchase from Mr F. and Mrs M J. Whaler the whole of the assets of their

partnership business (other than cash) for £124,523, plus stock at

valuation (£50,000) and book debts at April 30, 1982 (estimated

installers of ventilation equipment for the agricultural industry and es

such the business is compatible with the existing livestock and engineering divisions of Feedex Strength of Feedex in this sector

of the market should provide considerable scope to expand and

BIDSAND DEALS

able addition to its

STREET

EARNINGS PER SHARE

RESULTS 1981-82

Preliminary results, unaudited-

52 weeks to 27th February 1982

1982 £000

86,597

4.44%

2,497

89,094

5,675

15,419

23.74p

9.75p

Sales

Retail Profit

Associates

Tax and

Tax

Profit before

Profit Sharing

Profit Sharing

Earnings per

Dividend

-net for year

share-fully taxed

Retail Margin

1,950,546 1,589,196

1981 £000

64,393

4.05%

1,368

65,761

3,699

12,680

17.74p 33.8%

7.25p 34.5%

Increase

22.7%

34.5%

82.5%

35.5%

53.4%

☐ There was a record profit growth of £23.3 million. Over the past four years our profit has doubled in real

5,600

MORE JOBS

CREATED

SALES UP

5 MILLION

AWEEK

CUSTOMERS

22.7%

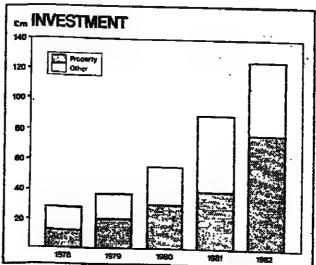
☐ This year earnings per share (fully taxed) were up by 20% in real terms.

☐ We shall distribute £5.7 million in shares or cash to the 23,000 staff. participating in the profit sharing scheme. The total distribution in the first three years of this scheme is £11.6 million and 38% of the staff eligible to do so have opted to take shares.

☐ Another record broken in 1981/82 was the amount of new selling area which was opened—the 17 new stores had a total sales area of 358,000 sq. ft.

☐ We have created more than 5,600 new jobs bringing the total in two years to 11.000.

☐ A one for one capitalisation issue is proposed.



Good food costs less at Sainsbury's....every year.

: Dealings start today on the over-the-counter market made by M J H Nightingale in the shares of Cindico, the nursery equipment manufacturer, after the placing of 700,000 shares (44 per cent of the equity) with leading institutions at 240p a share. Cindico was founded in 1962 by Mr Richard Downs, its present chairman, since when its range of nursery products has been consider-ably expanded, with sales rising from £1.94m in 1976 to £6.5m in 1981. Pretax profits in that period have risen seven-fold from £83,000 to £573,000, and with further improvements in me ()Ec

May next year.
At the placing price that represents a gross yield of 11 represents a gross yield of 11 per cent on an annualized basis and an historic price/earnings multiple of 13.8 times or 10.9 times forecast fully taxed earnings. It capitalizes the group at £3.8 m. The group had chosen the

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Benefits of change

In his statement to shareholders, Sir Anthony Tuke said:

"Multinationals have been subjected to a great deal of criticism over the past few years, much of it ideological in origin and much of it is ill-informed. It is, however, right that corporations should review their responsibilities and make certain that their policies are correct and in tune with current thinking. It is not enough for international companies to shelter behind the laws of the country in which they invest; their responsibilities go beyond that. No government would, however, accept a foreign investor who deliberately stated his intention of flouting the laws of the land and the OECD guidelines for multinational corporations specifically enjoin those corporations to obey the laws of the countries where they operate.

If a corporation finds local conditions and attitudes unacceptable it has the option of refraining from investing in that country as it would do if the fiscal and financial climate were not sufficiently attractive. Withdrawing from an existing operation is much more difficult and may achieve little as local investors could take it over, maybe with less internationally acceptable standards and policies.

Any foreign investor has a clear. responsibility to its employees and their families and, in the case of a mining company, to the local community, especially the indigenous population. The question both we as investors and the people who will be affected by a new operation must ask is, whether the benefits of a major investment outweigh the disadvantages change may bring.

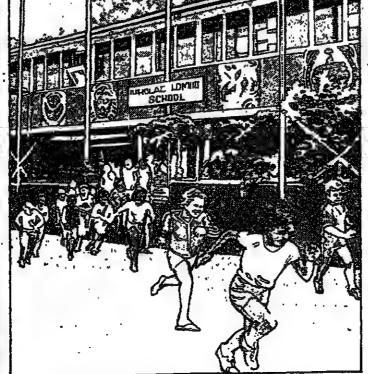
We do believe that the advantages overwhelmingly outweigh the disadvantages as we see the rising standards of living in the areas where we operate. These are evidenced by the high quality of housing, education, health and medical care, training and opportunity for advancement, as well as benefits to the wider community, especially in third world countries, of new sources of revenue and foreign exchange, together with educational and training opportunities from the independent foundations that have been established locally from the profits earned.







The highest standards of medical care are provided at group activities, particularly in less developed areas.



Educational opportunities at all levels for employees, their families and the wider community are an integral part of our operations.

for RTZ shareholders

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Australianisation

Some three years ago we agreed that the majority Australian ownership in CRA should be achieved over a period through the reduction of our interest to 49 per cent. This change in our shareholding will take place in the context of sound commercial development and investment and at that level our investment will have expanded in dollar terms. The authorities in Australia have been helpful and we are not under any pressure. We anticipate that during the next few years the RTZ interest will fall to 49 per cent but we do not expect any material change in the profits available to shareholders from Australia.

Ward and Tunnel

One of the reasons for the 1980 rights issue was to enable the corporation to expand its activities in this country. The cement industry is in some ways similar to the mining industry and our successful offer for

Ward brought with it control of Tunnel: the subsequent bid for Tunnel at an agreed price has become unconditional. The management of RTZ regard the bringing together of these two important companies as a priority during the next few months.

Future Outlook

In some respects the economic forecasts of early 1982 are similar to those made a year ago but there is reason to believe last year's dismal pattern will not be repeated. Past experience suggests that prices would be unlikely to remain as weak for an extended period even if demand were to stagnate throughout the year. Hence any modest revival of final demand, or any improvement in business confidence, should fairly swiftly affect metal markets and the RTZ Group's low cost mines would benefit accordingly."

Anthony Tuke Chairman

If you would like a copy of the full RTZ annual report please write to: Group Public Affairs Department, 6 St. James's Square, London SW1Y 4LD.

Fact sheets on various aspects of the corporation's activities will be available from



The Rio Tinto-Zinc Corporation PLC



Net profit attributable to RTZ shareholders 1981 terms Historical terms "All years converted to year-end 1981 pounds on the basis of the UK RPI.

TURNOVER

PROFIT BEFORE TAX

Shareholders

PROFIT attributable to Ordinary

Sir John King, Chairman, reports:-

* Improved operating efficiency.

Lord Boyd-Carpenter

recovery when it comes.

on a disappointing note.

CEMENT MANUFACTURE IN THE U.K.

Hon. Lord Boyd-Carpenter, DL, Chairman.

of 1980. Yet this is what I can now report.

Currently better business outlook.

* 1981 dividend maintained at 7p per share.

* Strong positive cash flow.

EARNINGS PER SHARE .

DIVIDEND PER SHARE

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SUMMARY OF GROUP RESULTS

Copies of the Annual Report may be obtained from The Secretary, Cleveland House, St. James's Square, London SW1Y 4LN.

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A LEADER IN WORLD-WIDE ENGINEERING

The following are extracts from the speech to shareholders by The Rt.

in my speech last year the essence of the message which I tried to con-

impact of a world depression and a low level of activity in the construction

industry in the United Kingdom. In hard weather it is the hardy who sur-

vive. But I certainly would not last year have dared to suggest that I

expected that in 1981 we should produce higher pre-tax profits than those

I think it is useful to seek to analyse why this has been so. First we have

made vigorous efforts to improve our service to customers. We have had

in mind the truth of the placard which I saw recently in the plant of which

we are part owners in Pennsylvania. "CUSTOMERS MAKE PAY DAY

POSSIBLE". This has been successful to the extent that it helped to offset

the fall in demand so far as our Company was concerned. Secondly, we

have been able to contain our costs by concentrating our production

effort on our energy economical new plant. This new plant has involved

very heavy capital investment notably at our Rochester and Southam

Works. This investment has turned out to have been well-timed. It is help-

ing us to keep our costs down through a period of depression. And it has

provided a reserve of capacity to enable us to take full advantage of the

1981 began with the same low level of demand which had been experi-

enced in the letter part of 1980. In the second half of the year there was a

modest upturn but sufficient to confirm my forecast in our half-yearly

statement that the reduction in Group profits in the first half of the year

would be "more than offset by the end of the year". But with the severe weather in December bringing most sites to a standstill the year finished

Nevertheless, recent developments and modernisation at our works enabled the Company to meet the fluctuating demand pattern for bulk and packed cement with a high standard of service. Particular progress was

made with the handling and delivery of packed cement and results fully justified the high capital cost of installing automatic loading and pallet-

Since the weather improved, demand has improved with it.

THE TIMES THURSDAY MAY 6 1982

Latin America piles up debts

Financial disruption could spread beyond Argentina

In just two years time, the conomic forecast for the Debts of Latin American and Central American countries, June, 1981, in millions of dollars South American and central American nations has turned from bright to bleak as the world recession has cut into exports and political unrest in a number of countries has

escalated. Now that there is the threat of a costly and ditions in these closely-linked developing nations are all the more uncertain. possibly prolonged involving Argentina,

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If the British naval blockade is extended for example, there could be severe economic consequences in other

This is just one of a number of unsettling possi-. Unique pilities being considere officials in international landing organizations at present reviewing the sharp deterioration in the econo mies of countries south of the United States border.

The Falklands conflict has spotlighted economic problems in this part of the world as it has become apparent to international lenders that a uge financial disruption in

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one country such as Argen effect on several others.

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At present, there are is being cut off by big banks several Latin American countries whose short term debt debt load, and unwilling to exposure worries World make new loans there. exposure worries World Bank and International

Mexico. tina could have an adverse which was riding high on oil revenues until just a year ago

Maturity of Claims

Monetary Fund officials. Argentina's shaky financial position has been well publicized, but less well known viewed by The Times on a background only basis. to raise its dividend to 6 marks per

ending March 31, Esanda is the wholly-owned subsidiary of ANZ Bank, one of the largest in Australia.

as Chile and Peru which have raging inflation and sharply declining exports.

Brazil's massive, external debt - much of it due for repayment over the next year has been cause for worry

for some time and now even oil-rich venezuela, faced with the world energy glut, is experiencing problems.

For any central American countries such as Costa Rica. the singuion is even worse. The United States Export-Import Bank, for example, has stopped making loans there trogether because the Government has been forced to ask both private and government lenders to re-schedule its debt. Again, the economic problems of the war-tord countries of El war-tork countries of El Salvade and Nicaragua are

ditions in this part of the world are more dismal than even the present June, 1981 debt figures revealed and growing worse daily, in the opinion of a Latin American specialist with the United States Commerce Department.

The French group, Sple Batig-nolles, anounced a consolidated net proof of Fr114m (£10.4m) for 1981 against Fr91m the previous year. Parent company net profit was Fr65.6m (Fr53.5m) and the ndinas been fixed at Fr13,50

Fr11.23;
The Empany is to raise itsl capital \$ to Fr192.7m from Fr144.5a by a one-for-three rights issue at 3125 a share.

Ruetge-swerke of Germany is proposing an unchanged 1981 divident of Dm8.50 despite a 39 per centileop in net consolidated earnings to Dm20.3m (£4.7m)

MALAYSIA

A slump in the Malaysian economy brought on by recession abroad led to 902 bankruptcies in 1921, the highest number in a single year. The downturn also could be traced to a shortage of capital. of capital,

INTERNATIONAL

Car sales

April sales by both foreign and United States car makers fell to an estimated 664,255

from an estimated 774,388 last April. Deliveries of

domestic vehicles fell 6.4 per cent to 495,255 from 529,388

A survey of leading importers' sales, however, shows that foreign-make sales plunged more than 21

per cent to about 169,000 vehicles from 215,000 vehicles. On a seasonally ad-

justed annual basis, foreign cars sold at about 1.8 million

rate, their lowest rate since December 1978.

It is the importers' fourth

consecutive month of sales

declines. The factors depress-

ing import sales include costs, poor economic con-ditions, credit shortages, and a growing petrol glut that is

turning consumers away from small, fuel-efficient

take a

tumble

a year earlier.

West Germany

The sharp fall in West German petrol use came alongside a more modest 1.5 per cent decline in overall energy consumption. The share of overall energy sources held by petroleum products eased to 41 per cent in the first three months from a 1981 average of 44.5 per cept.

BELGIUM

The trade deficit of the Belgo-Luxembourg Economic Union (BLEU) narrowed in February to a provisional BelFr 12,100m (£140m) from a revised BelFr 30,600m in January and BeiFr 30,800m in February 1981.

CHINA

China has abolished the sixth ministry of machine-building and set up a new organiza-tion to streamline its shipbuilding industry. The reorganization is part of China's ambitious drive to slash its bloated bureaucracy.

New Zealand's balance of payments deficit was NZ\$1,141m (£496m) in the year ended March 31, com-pared with a deficit of NZ\$716m the prevous year. per cent.

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AUSTRALIA

Australia's gross domestic product (GDP) rose 1.1 per 1981, down from 2 per cent in the previous quarter and the year earlier quarter's 1.2 per

SWITZERLAND

Swiss adjusted central bank money supply was 0.3 per cent higher in March than a year earlier.

General Motors of Canada is to phase out 550 jobs at two of its plants in Ontario by the end of July.

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Barclays	13%
	13%
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Lloyds Bank	13%
Midland Bank	13%
Nat Westminster	13%
TSB	13%
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OVERSEAS COMPANIES

sharp drop in 1981 profits to Bel Fr23m (about £268,000) from Bel shortage of ore and to a six-month strike at its trish mine.

Through a difficult year with

increased profits

Pre-tax profits 10% higher — dividend up

All overseas interests improving

"Gleams of light ahead"

Benefits felt of very heavy capital investment

share from 5.50 for 1980.

consolidated group profit rose nearly 50 per cent of DM272m from DM182m in 1980. Group sales climbed 18 per cent ot DM15,400m. The group is plaining a one-for-eight rights issue at DM125 a share. The DM310m raised by the

issue will be used to improve capital structure and finance

Mannesmann of Germany announced a 40 per cent rise in net profit to DM196m (£45.6m) in by 8.9 per cent to A\$19m 1981 from DM140m in 1980. It is, (£11.2m) for the aix months

nationalized electrical and elec-tronica group, reported the first loss in its history and expects to remain in the red this year. The group said its 1981 consolidated accounts will show a loss of Fr180m (£16.4m) despite a 9.5 per cent increase in sales to Fr43,600m. The electronics of-fshoot. Thomson-CSF and its subsidiaries, accounted for Fr80m

Thomson-Brandt, the recently nationalized electrical and elec-

Institute in Soviet oil warning

By Jonathan Davis

Energy Correspondent
Eastern European countries the likely to become significant importers of oil during the 1980s, creating a danger that the Soviet Union will allow the soviet Union will be will adopt an aggressive policy of seeking access to Middle-East oil supplies, the Royal finstitute of Inter-national Affairs warned yes-

terday.

A paper written by Jonathan Sern for the Institute says that Eastern Europe could seed to go outside the Soviety lock for as much as 100 milion tonnes of oil a year bethe end of the decade — though the shortage of hard carrency in Iron Curtain countries means that their actual demand will probably be limited to 50 million tonnes a year. This million tonnes a year. This would be the minimum requirement for the mainten-

so far Eastern Europe has been cushioned by being able per cent.

So far Eastern Europe has been cushioned by being able per cent. oil from the Soviet Union, but Mr. Stern says the ability, and wilkingness; of the Russians to increase their oil exports, or maintain this policy is now in doubt.

In any case Mr Stern argues: It is difficult to see how Eastern Europe will resolve its problems with or without the help of the USSR"

Even with lower world oil prices, East Europe's trade balances with Opec countries and that debt problems of Poland and Romania cast

Poland and Romania cast doubt on their ability to pay world prices for oil.

"This being the case, the acquisition of increased oil supplies for Eastern Europe may become a factor in Soviet foreign policy vis-a-vis oil producing countries", Mr Stern says — a development that is a matter for concern both for Opec countries and Western countries which take Western countries which take oil from the Middle East. The Swiet Union could

The Swiet Umon coma either out for doing barter deals with the participants in the Iran and Iraq war once hostilines cease, Mr Stern suggests or they could try to put pressure on Opec countries to supply oil at concessionary prices.

cessionary prices.

On the proposed controversial Soviet gas pipeline into western Europe, the Royal Institute paper dis-misses fears by the United States that this will make western Europe dangerously subject to an abrupt cutoff of

Our Australian subsidiary, Cockburn Cement Limited, has had a somewhat mixed year although its results for 1981 show an improvement on 1980 both in terms of profit and in cement and lime sales - indeed, the tonnage of cement delivered during this year was the highest since 1978. The first shipment of cement in bulk was made to the new Darwin Depot late in September last year. There is every indication that the Northern Territory will develop into an important and useful additional market for Cockburn Cement.

The Parmelia Hotel increased its contribution to the Group's profit by 40%, although half of this improvement was due to the strengthening of the Australian dollar against sterling.

In the United States, despite the effects of the present recession on the construction industry in the North East of the U.S.A., our newly acquired associated company, U.S. Cement Inc., through its 100% subsidiary, Hercules Cement Company, succeeded in improving both its sales and its share of the market.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

During the late spring and early summer the cement industry as a whole

suffered a certain amount of industrial action. In spite of this, production and deliveries by your Company were not greatly affected. We are grateful to all those who did so much to maintain vital production and deliver-

THE FUTURE

Although the cement industry, like the construction industry which it serves, is far from through its troubles, I can see gleams of light ahead. Certainly your Company has never been better prepared either to endure storm or profit from sunshine. It appears that this view is shared by

There are two problems facing this Company and the rest of this industry, alleviation of which lies in the hands of the Government. Our industry is an energy intensive one. It is therefore much affected by the surprising fact that in a country which has its own abundant supplies of oil, coal, and gas, the energy used by industry should be more expensive than in many of our European neighbours who do not have such natural

The other problem is the burden of taxation, national and local. The limited lightening of the burden of national taxation contained in the recent Budget is likely to be offset by increases in the level of local rates.

Finally, I would like to thank most warmly all those in the Company whether on the shop floor or at the wheel or in the office or in the boardroom whose hard work, team-work, and experienced skill have brought us through a difficult year so well.

Boyd-Carpenter,

SALIENT FIGURES	1981	1980
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Turnover .	•	
United Kingdom	120,018	112,364
Overseas	24,553	16,111
	144,571	128,475
Trading Profit		
United Kingdom	14,872	14,307
Overseas	4,088	2,794
Mark and the second	18,960	17,101
Net Interest and Investment Income	(359)	(237)
Profit before Taxation	18,601	16,864
Taxation	3,990	2,110†
Profit after Taxation	14,611	14,754
Earnings per Share	12.1p	12.4p*
Total Dividend per Share	5.0p	4.7p

†Reduced by £727,000 release of stock appreciation relief provision. *Re-stated for the release of stock appreciation relief provision and the bonus element of the May 1980 Rights Issue.

Copies of the Report and Accounts containing the full speech by the Chairman can be obtained from the Secretary, The Rugby Portland Cement P.L.C., Crown House, Rugby.

GOLF

RACING: FINAL DAY OF CHESTER MEETING Cecil to serve up double helping

By Michael Seely

Henry Cecil's triumphant,
march forward should continue
at Chester this afternoon when
the man in form can land, a
double by winning the Ormande.
Stakes with Critique and the Dee
Stakes with Ivano.

The running of Critique and
Ivano will be watched with
particular interest. For these are
the two colts that Cecil's
principal Derby candidate,
Simply Great, dealt with so
summarily in a gallop at
Newmarket last Saturday.

Critique, appears to have the

Critique appears to have the casiest task of the pair. This is a four-year-old with a great deal of ability who has shown a tendency to hang under pressure.

Baffar and Six Mile Bottom appear to be the favourtie's main opponents. But in this small field Criteque's finishing speed should gain him the day.

gain him the day.

Ivano is one of Cecil's best three-year-olds. On his reappearance this scason Ivano had to struggle to withstand the late attack of Noble Gift's stable companion. Electric. However, Electric did this form no harm when winning the White Rose-Stakes at Ascot last week.

Stakes at Ascot last week,

Some magnificent racing held
the usual enormous crowd
spellbound on a sunny afternoon
at Chester yesterday. Dawn
Johnny made ammends for his
defeat in last year's Chester Cup
when battling on gamely to repel
the challenges of Dragon Palace
and Another Sam.

Willie Carson celebrated his wedding day by riding Lord Rotherwick's home-bred filly, Swiftfoot, to a pillar-to-post victory in the Chesire Oaks.

As expected Ecstatics won the opening Sefton Maiden Fillies Stakes but only by a short head that George Ward's filly prevailed over Larla: However, Pulke Johnson Houghton's hopes of a double were dashed when Steve Cashed draws Garden act Dander. Cauthen drove Gavo past Danda-na in the final strides of the Roodeye stakes.

Chester

2.15 SCEPTRE STAKES (2-y-o maiden filles: £2,029: 51) (8 runners)

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2.45 ORMONDE STAKES (Group 3: £14,348: 1m 5i 88yd) (6 runners)

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FORM: Critique (8-11) held top, ran on well time two furionays, 3rd, braien 11, neck, to Glint Of Gold (gave 3tb) with Beactord (rec. 3tb) 123 swaps, assistant and Dogborry (rec. 3tb) mith. 11 ran. Newbury, April 17 1 frm. Good. Noeline (10-0) eleventh to Golden Flecce (rec. 24tb). 15 ran Curragh, April 17 1 frm. Good to Soft. Bartier (3-13) tay, chassed leaders, no progress from pleasance, Bith, beaten 4'vi to Kings Glory (rec. 18tb). 12 ran. Novementet, Octobra 3 J Jun. Good: Str. Mile Biothory (8-8) backward; never nearer, 5th beaten 111 to Princos Garte (gave 4tb). 5 ran. Selections. April 24 1 vin Firm.

SELECTION: Critique

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9-4 Plum Bold, 4 Mick, Paperetto. 7 Fairy Tern, Mubhedj, 10 No Contest, Crown, 12

others.

FORM: Fairy Term (8-9), progress halfany, cuspeced final pir note. 4th, bir 41 to Rose of Montreaus (sevel); 10 ran. Selichery, April 3. 71, Good to soit. Paperente (9-0), no progress final pir note; 3rd, bir 13. bir 13. bir 14. bir 14. bir 16. bir 16.

3.45 DEE STAKES (Group 3: 3-y-o: £12,120: 1 4m 85yd) (11 runners)

3.15 LADBROKE HOTELS HANDICAP (3-y-o: £4,123: 71) (12)

on, 5-2 Miami Dolphin, 7-2 Lady Maskoka, 6 Beel Bidder, 7 Gem-May, 12 others.

Tota Double: 3.15 and 4.15: Treble: 2.45, 3:45 and 4.45

[Television (BBC2): 2.15, 2.45, 3.15 and 3.45 races]

Flying Horage puts | England's McCormack on map women

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

Matt McCormack, who was a stable lad for Sir Cecil Boyd-Rochfort, the late Bernard van Cutsem and Sir Charles Murless before eventually becoming head lad to Peter Walwyn at Lambourn, could be said to have crammed a fair amount of experience into his life before he decided to go it alone. But three and a half years ago, he felt that the moment was ripe to do just that

that.

It is not easy for anyone to become established as a trainer these days, least of all in the midst of a recession. But now, at the age of 42, McCormack has suddenly found himself in an excellent position to capitalize on all that experience and is very possibly on the threshold of major success — thanks primarily to a two-year-old colt called Horage.

ily to a two-year-old colt called Horage.

McCormack currently has only 13 horses in his stable at Sparsholt, a yard which saw Eph and Dong Smith and Manny and Joe Mercer in their early days; when they were all apprenticed to the late Major Fred Sneyd. But if Horage goes on winning the way he did yesterday, MacCormack can surely look forward to a full house in the funtre. In racing, nothing fosters success better than success.

Sponsored by Rhys-Jenkins and Standing, the Salisbury Stakes was Horage's second easy victory within a week, and his fourth in four starts. Even before yesterday's race his trainer was

4.0 WINCANTON STAKES (Div 11: 3-y-o maidens: £1,275: 1 1/4m) (13

4.30 WINCANTON STAKES (Div III: 3-y-o maidens: £1,267; 1 1/4m) (13)

TUNINGES)

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HATHAWAY (J HARD) A INGRISES 9-1

5.00 CITY BOWL HANDICAP (£2,442: 11/m) (13)

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MIGHT WATCH (C) (P Melton) I Baiding 8-8-4

ASHORE (I Candy) H Candy 4-8-4

EMPEROR NAPOLEDN (P Parke) N Mischall 8-8-3

TEAPOT (D) (Mrs M Rae Smith) M Blanshard 8-8-2

DOWN TO DARKIE (B) (R Finithmy M Hayner 7-8-0

VELESO (B) (T Forde) J King 4-7-11

EMBAS (Mrs F Interno) D Financhi 4/2-7

7-4 Kitson, 11-4 Thehul, 9-2 Tea-Pol, 8 Migrator, 10 Carvo, 12 Simelie; 15 others.

Salisbury selections By Our Racing Correspondent 1.30 Silence Rules, 2.0 Mycenaen, 2.30 Portogon, 3.0 Reign, 3.30 Pat On The Back, 4.0 More Kisses, 4.30 King's Soldier, 5.0 Migrator.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.00 Tender Venture, 2.30 Hlya Judge, 3.0 Zubedah, 3.30 Pat On The Back, 4.0 Pearly Steps, 4.30 Weld Main.

In the meantime, Horage is likely to be seen out again either at York next week, or at Haydock Park in early June. When McCormack paid only 8,000 guineas — which is chicken feed these days — for Horage at Doncaster last September, he was acting on behalf of a man who subsequently either would not or could not pay.

subsequently enther would not or could not pay.

"I bet he's kicking himself now," McCormack remarked yesterday, with justifiable fecting. Horage now belongs to Arbed Rachid, a Lebanese living in London.

To make McCormack's day complete. Shiny Hour won the

To make McCormack's day complete, Shiny Hour won the Levy Board Apprentice Handicap at 12-1. What is more, he confessed to having had a few quid on him at that good price. No wonder he was still celebrating much later because his first training double, which this was could turn out to be the dawn of his career.

However, McCormack's achievement was matched by Henry Candy, who also trained two winners, Ridge Heights in the Warminster Stakes and Glowing Halo who won the Druids Stakes. Both were ridden by Billy Newnes, another whose star is very much in the

star is very much in the ascendancy.

At Salisbury today there will be eight races, as the Wincanton Maiden Stakes had to be split three ways yesterday for safety

reasons.

With Henry Candy's stable in such good form, no one should surprised if Reign wins the Redenham Maiden Fillies Stakes. fourth in four starts. Even before yesterday's race his trainer was saying he was certain that the colt was already crying out for further than five furlones. Afterwards Robert Street, who rode him yesterday, agreed wholeheartedly.

"I'm sure you have not seen the best of him yet", Street remarked — and that about a colt who had just won by 10 lengths. No wonder McCormack now has his eye on the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot.

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By John Hennessy
Golf Correspondent

The visiting team of American players have dominated the publicity attendig the women's team both as to their looks and to their golf potential. But when the flags fell yesterday, in the first day of the Ford £20,000 tournament at Woburn, it was two young English women, born no farther away than Sunaingdale who sprang into the lead.

They were Maxine Burton and Susan Bamford, with rounds of 73 (one under par) and 74 respectively. Miss Burton is the one born at Sunningdale, Miss Bamford having first opened her eyes and lungs at Barnet. Since so much store has been placed on appearance, it may as well be added that they are as fair of face and form as any, but they would probably wish to be appreciated more for their golf. So they shall. Their nearest challengers are Susan Latham, in only her second season, and Muriel Thomson, a founder member of the Women's Professional Golf Association, both on 76. The hest placed American is Lisa Baxter, on 77. The tournament is being played on the Duchess course, 5,831 yds.

Miss Burton has been troubled by an injured, or at least, silling wrist for some time and could not, six weeks ago "Bick up that piece of paper." She has therefore been unable to practice as assiduously as some, but then the practice ground has never held any great charm for her.

Miss Burton opened with a birdie four at the first, 405 yards and well within range of her four wood. But three wayward tee shots on the 6th, 7th and 9th extracted the penalties you would expect on a course so claustrophobically lined with towering pines.



birdie three at the 17th, created by a lovely, wristy seven-iron to five feet.

Miss Bamford has been through troubled times recently, to the point of considering giving up the game. Happily, her sponsors, Findus Foods, kept faith in her and invested £4,000 in sending her to Palm Springs for much of the winter to sit at the feet of a distinguished American teacher, Jim Hardy. He took her swing apart, rebuilt it with a power-inducing sway from the hips, and, at first glance at least, it seems he may have found the secret.

One over par at the turn, Miss Bamford was a model of

Bamford was a model of consistency coming home and

Fernandez farewell

From Mitchell Platts, Paris, May 5

Open, sponsored by Paco Rabanne, with an increased determination to make him feel

The conflict over the Falkland Islands has once again provided sport with an unfortunate desturbance and Fernandez was close to tears today as he accepted that the situation is such that he will have to return home following this event instead of continuing on the circuit when it reaches British soil next week. British soil next week.

He has accepted that it will be best to return home.
"I must consider my wife and two children," he explained. "At the same time one cannot avoid the growing atmosphere since everyone on the tour is now beginning to realize what I have always known - that this is a serious affair. So far nobody has said or done anything to hurt me but I cannot sleep and I cannot concentrate on the gulf course concentrate on the golf course for worrying about what is happening between the two nations". Florentino Molina, who was joint forth in the Italian Open last week, is the other Argentine in the field. Lyle, who

enter Britain but he has since been advized that it might be unwise to pursue that request. He has accepted that it will be

Argentine in the relocative, who completes a threeball with Fernandes and Burnes is the defending champion and after missing clear opportunities to win the Tunisian and Madrid Opens at the start of the season

Amateur shows way

With such as David Huish and Jim Farmer still at work on the course late vesterday evening, the main talking point on the second day of the £10,000 Northern Open spensored by Clydesdale Bank at Creden Bay concerned the performances of two amateurs, Stephen McAllister of Elderslie and Campbell Elliot, of Dumharton.

McAllister, who was out in the worst of the morning rain, added a one over par 71 to his upening 74 to take a three shot lead over the largely professional field. Elliot, whose two-round aggregate is 149, has the distinction of being the first player to break 70 over these wet and windswept links.

A full-time amateur golfer who once represented the Scottish achieved as badgington McAllister. frugal 27.

Elliat, 21 to McAllister's 20, sped to the turn in 34 against the card of 36 but was never more pleased with life than when he clinched his par at the seemingly never-ending 550 yards 13th.

In the sudden downpour, he lost hold of his driver und half topped his tee shot. He then used his driver off the fairway for his second and again for his third. A

at the same time, finds all the hours he needs for practice and

tournament play.
Of those who failed to find a Of those who failed to find a place among the 60 qualifiers for roady's final round, hone will have pondered more on what might have been than J M Nicoll of Murcar. He opened birdie, birdie, birdie on Tuesday hut went on to hand in a 92 followed by an 89.

LEADING SCORES, 145, 5 McAnester 74, 71, D Hutch 73,74, 148, 5 Campbell 6,72 F Rennes 77, 71, I Ministal 76,72, 149, C Ellion 80, 69 D Germell 75, 74, L Johnson 79, 70; S Boro 77, 72; 150, B Lawson 77, 73, G Lenne 76, 76, A McLean 76,74

she tries

Kate Brasher, aged 19, the British No 7, who is enjoying her best start to a new season, continued her winning ways in the Lawn Tennis Association's £30,000 Satellite tournament at the West Warwickshire clun, Solibull, yesterday. The third seed from Petersham, Surrey, who has won four titles out of five tournaments so far, made easy progress into the quartereasy progress into the quarter-final round when she defeated Anthea Stewart, of Kent, 6-4,

6—1
Her opponent in the last eight will be Elizabeth Sayers, of Australia, who last weekend won a £50,000 tournament in Sardinia. Miss Sayers, the fifth seed, defeated Sherry Hull, of United States, 6—0, 7—5.

States, 6—0, 7—5.

MEDY'S singles: socond round:

D Mustard (N2) beet F Saver (SA) 6-2.6-0. J
Beles beal D Tarr (SA) 1-6.6-3,9-7: L Sanders
beat J Windahi (Sweden) 1-6.8-4.6-4: J Sawth
beat G Stambury (USA) 6-4.3-6.9-7: A Jamett
beat P Hertguist (Sweden) 6-1.6-2: C Freyss
(France) beat H van Bonckel (Nethestands) 64,7-6: G Whitecross (Australia) beat R
Chappell (SA) 6-0.6-3; S wan der Morwe (SA)
beat B Medr (SA) 7-5,7-6.

WUSSERT'S SRECLES/Second Round:

Tennis Federation understood his decision and supported him. Lendl was talking after beating Damian Keretic, a West German, 6-1, 6-3 in the first round.

Meanwhile Jose Luis Clerc, of Argentina, was worried about war in the South Atlantic. Clerc seeded No 3, said: "It's tough for my nerves and I worry because my family is in Buenos Aires. If my country needs me I am ready to go." Clerc, who lives in Florida with his wife and child, said he would not compete at Wimbledon this year if Anglo-Argentine hostilities were still going on.

The second second second second second In the Chester Cup Pat Eddery made a rare tactical eerror by lying too far out of his ground on the 4-1 favourite Castelnau in a race that was slowly run in the early stages. When Eddery first rick to make his move he was repeatedly baulked and by the time the pair got clear the leaders had flown.

Dawn Johnny's trainer, Michael Sdtoute, said afterwards: "Michael Sdtoute, said afterwards: "Maler Swindburn rode a magnificent, face, He had Dawn Johnay would run well as the ground had dried out. But there were too many apparently well bandicapped horses to facy him seriously".

The stewards held an inquiry into the improvement made by Dawn Johnay compared with his running in the Queens prize at Kempton where Sir Gordon White's five year old had finished scoond to Swiftfoot White's five year old had finished a last behind Cheka, The authorities are right to protect the public miterest. But the answer is pretty simple. The ground was soft when Dawn Johnay was an soft when Dawn Johnay was an soft when Dawn Johnay was an soft when Dawn Johnay and help the public miterest. But the answer is pretty simple. The ground was soft when Dawn Johnay was an soft when Dawn Johnay and help the public miterest. But the answer is pretty simple. The ground was soft when Dawn Johnay and help the public miterest. But the answer is pretty simple. The ground was soft when Dawn Johnay and help the public miterest. But t Flat out; Critique a fancied contender for Chester's Ormonde Stakes

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2.30 NEW FOREST HANDICAP (£2.968: 70

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in, 3 Sak Sari, 8 Hazel Holt, 8 Everware, 10 Tinker's Image, 12 others. 3.30 EDDIE REAVEY AUCTION STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £1.169: 5f)

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	FROGMORE SWEET (R Hading) R Thorspeod 8-19
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	JUST OLIEN (Maj H Cayzot) W Wightman 8-7
	AMBER BAY (A Wade) R Hood 8-4
	PHODOKOMOS (Mrs. A Smczift) V Soane 8-4
	BALSDANSEL (R Comery) & Curdeli 8-1
	FIGURE DE DANCE (A Osborne) R Sheather 8-1
00	FRONTLET (Mrs J Dovee) M Bolton 8-1
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Wigham's first winner

Robert Wigham, who starts a four-day suspension for careless riding tomorrow, rode his first Flat winner yesterday at Redcar, where his strong driving took Our Molly home with a length to spare over Borny Shields in the Ugthorpe Stakes. The two-year-old fully had played up on her recent Thirsk debut.

Our Molly's trainer, Walker Wharton, who owns the filly jointly with Mr Charles Tateson, has now had four two-year-old winners so far this season. He has just replaced winners so far this season. He last just replaced winners so far this season. He last just replaced his first of the the wetherly trainer? Peter Asquith, who is on a working holiday in Florida, had his first winner of the season in the opening fevent, the Liverton Selling Handicap Stakes. His filly Holdall, bear No Defect by 12: lenths to give Dovid Nicholls his third winning ride of the aeason. Paul Scott, Asquith's son-in-law, had to go to 2,300 guineas to retain the winner.

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☐ Jim McCaughey, the Midlands owner, has moved all his horses to Ireland. "My health is not good, and a change of scenery will do me good", he said. Rod Simpson's Epsom yard loses seven horses, and Michael Stoute and Gavin Pritchard-Gordon three each. Mr McCaughey's Triumph Hurdle winner, Connaught Ranger, has been retired.

BLEMERED FIRST TIME Salesbury. 1.30 arth Brilon, Topoling Sales, 4.0 Colebrook

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS, Derby Sciakes, poom. Snow Forecast, Lusardo.

4.0 (4.0) GO RACING BY YORKS TROPHY (3-7-6: \$2,393.70) GERRYJO' is f by Marinope - Judy O'Grady S-11 i Johnson (S-4 II-lev) TOTE: Who, 38x places, 20p 51s, 10p. Dasi Forecast CL-88, CSF: 52.20, w Wester al Metro Mowbray, 15t, bl. Lady Soundy (4-1) 4th. 8 nm.

4.30 (4.32) MOORSHOLE HANDICAP (21.404 1m 30) CONS PAL b | by Conneach — Peloins, 4-9-6 J Segrator (7-3 1 Redentate — M Wood (11-0 2 PLo. — A Marray (5-2 tex) 3 TOTE: www. 68p. plenas, 40p. 15p. Dual Forecast: 36p CSF: £1.46, R Peacock: st Middleham. Not. Sol. Say Thoraid (5-1) 4th 7 as. MR: John Marjim. Price of Peaco.

5.0 (5.05) FLYBOG THORPE STAKES (3-7-9 maidena: \$1,222: 60)

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Salisbury

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6-4 Old Knockey 17-4 Chewington, 6 Cole Porier, 12 Tenords HUNTINGOON SELECTIONS: 2.30 Grey Gate, 3.0 Sorders Web, 3.30 Harry Hotspur, 4.0 Great Oak, 4.30 Mackintosh Man, 5.0 Cole Podior 8.30 (3.31) RHYS-JENKINS STAKES (2-y-o £3,627-56) HORAGE, b c by Tumble Wind — Musicianne (A Rachid), 9-4 R Street (2-7 TOTE: win, 150 Dual F 11p. CSF 16a, M McCormack at Wantage, 10l, 15, 3 ran, 1nth 11 IXSec. mardons: C1,480° 50 RIDGE HEIGHTS, ch c by Riva Ridge — Wonderful Gal D1 Opportsetner), 9-0 W Newney (15-0 tav) 1 Carabis — J Higgins (10-1) 2 Izversele T Jarvis (7-2) 3

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5 0 DRUMES STAKES Cayo Miles: £1,522

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wiched between them was a birdie three at the 17th, created

wood. But three wayward tee shots on the 6th, 7th and 9th extracted the penalties you would expect on a course so claustrophobically lined with towering pines.

It was a different story as she turned for home. The first six holes from the turn yielded four birdies, as she wielded a dett wedge, and although she dropped shots at two more holes sand-

The Argentine, Vicente Fernandez, has been a friend of the European tour for more than 10 years. Tomorrow morning Brian Brnes and Sandy Lyle will set out with him in the first round of the £43,000 French Open. spongered by Paco

Barnes, however, showed a

sincere sympathy towards Fer-nandez when he said: "Vincente is a super guy. I fully appreciate the terrible situation tha cur-rently exists between our countries but I am certainly not going to blame him for that. I will tell him on the tee that we are both golf professionals seeking a living from the gome and that

him on the tee that we are both golf professionals seeking a living from the gome and that sport has nothing to do with politics".

In Madrid two weeks ago Fernandez applied for a visa to

By Lewine Mair

A full-time amateur goffer who once represented the Scottish schools at badminton, McAllister recently had a double disappointment of finding that his one handicap was not good enough to get him into either the Craigmillar Park 36 hole open stroke play championship or the Edinburgh Trophy.

He yesterday steered clear of the tangled rough which has

5 00 CROWLAND HURDLE (Drv II: moviogs. £345 2m 200yd0 (10)

1 140 COLE PORTER 7-11-1 McCourl
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5 300 ICKWORTH PARK 8-11-4 McNaby
8 0-p0 MIDNIGHT ROCKET 5-11-4 C Jones the yesterday steered clear of the tangled rough which has given such trouble to so many these past two days and was at his most impressive when crashing a three wood on to the green down the wind tunnel that is the 428 yard 17th. On Tuesday he had

TENNIS

What Katy did Lendl stands firm over his decision to do yet again New York, May 5.—Ivan Lendl, of Czechosłovakia, defended his controversial decision to withdraw from this week's world team cup in Dusseldorf, to play in the tournament of champions here. He said the Czechoslovak Tennis Federation understood his decision and supported him.

Bates beal D Tary (SA) 1-6,8-3,5-7; L Sander's beat J Windows (Sweden) 1-6,8-4,6-4; J Swith beat G Stambury (19A) 6-4,3-6,9-7; A Jarmet beat P Hjertquist (Sweden) 6-1,8-2; C Freyss (France) beat H van Boockel (Netherlands) 6-4,7-6; G Whiterows (Australia) 1-6 Cheppell (SA) 6-0,5-3; S van der Morwe (SA) beat B Devell (Auguratia), 6-2, 7-6, V Consistis (US) beat E Exkristi (US), 6-4, 4-5, beat B Mor (SA) 7-5,7-6.

WURLEN'S SHOULES-Second Round:
K Brasher beat A Stevent 6-4,6-1; E Sayers Caustrain) beat S Nether (SA) 6-1, 6-3, 1-3 Smid (CF) beat G Goven beat K Seddon (SA) 6-0,6-3; A Croft beat A Stevent 2-6,6-3,6-3.

Brown 2-6,6-3,6-3.

PORM: Busace (9-0), behind barry, good late progress, ran en, 2nd, 5/n 11/l, to Montekin Revel with Sabutal (seve) laded last tip mile, 6th, bits further 13: 8 ran, Newbury October 22 71 60y. Soft Ivano (9-4) law, led final qir mile, ridden out, won rik, 5-l, 1-l rom Electric (red 10tb), Crosswip's tree 10th) and elforamer field five 10th), one paced for har 14 ran, Newmarkel, April 15 1m 11 Good to firm. Spanish Pool (9-4), look up running 300y out, ran en under pressure won 4-l, shind, from Cordite Spear (red 10th) and Hills Pagesot (red 11th) 12 ran. Sendows, April 24 1m Firm. SELECTION: Ivano. 4.15 OULTON HANDICAP (£3.080; 5f) (11 runners)

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500 010-240 MISS BEPORT (D) (B) (Mrs I Raine) T Berron 4-7-13 M Birch 61

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7-2 Arch Melody, 4 Lord Windy, 5 Go Total, E Subarma, 2 The Huyton Gris, 8 Bri-Eden, 10 Mrss Import, Humble Shue, 74 others 4.45 EATON HANDICAP (£3,059: 11/m 65yd) (10) 601 4/310-03 TURN BACK THE TIME (R Sangater) B Mile 4-10-0
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604 0110-1 SAGE KING (R Proudhost) J W Watts 4-9-8
605 3100-03 LAKEHNEATH (H Wrapp) H Wrapp 4-9-2
607 300-140 SKTS DOUBLE (G Mayers) R Hollenshead 8-9-9
609 1140-40 ARKAN (Sultan Adham) J Pardiey 4-9-7
610 2320-10 THE SMALL BIRACLE (G Jones) N Bycroll 4-8-5
612 320313- EARL S COURT (H Moore) C Crossley 8-7-10
614 400340- LA PICCOURA (H Thomson) N Vigors 6-7-7
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Chester selections

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Boxing Correspondent

A question mark as big as a Mexican hat hangs over the career of Charlie Magri, Britain's European flyweight champion His defeat in the ninth round of his bout with Jose Torres, of Tucson, leaves me in no doubt about Magri's inability to take a punch and with some concern for his well-being should he find himself in the ring with some other Mexican with a whiplash

punch.

Admittedly any blow well placed on the point of the chin will flatten most men but the blow that put Magri's future in danger was not a classic knockout blow, it landed full on the right side of the head and rather high, Down he went.

Nor is Torres a hard puncher.
Which must have been more than
a little disturbing for friends and
followers and British Boxing
Board of Control officials alike.
Particularly alarming was how
much Magri's boxing has fallen

off, He seems perpetually to be fighting his way through a huge cloud of cotton-wool. At this level he does not seem to be able to control a bout and more often than not finds himself being

than not finds himself being bulled against the ropes.

As after every contest the hoard will be looking at Magri's performance together with those of others who took part in luesday's show at Wembley Arena. Since the hoxer's welfare comes first with the board, I am sure they will think hard about Magri's future.

Magri and his manager, Terry Lawless, are also pondering the matter. In the meantime Magri must automatically have an enforced 21 days' rest from boxing. After that, as is customary, he will be given a complete neurological check-up.

I hope that after that period he

I hope that after that period he will not feel inclined to defend his European title against Enrique Cal, of Spain, whom he stopped in one round in 1981 He may have to go abroad for that, as not many people would pay to see another one-round contest in London. Boxing in Spain will do his confidence no good. Besides, if he wins he may feel like climbing back up the world rankings. From fourth he will either fall to the bottom of the ton 10 or fads out of the picture. That will do him no good, either. Tony Sibson is to take three see another one-round contest in

Tony Sibson is to take three months' rest after his successful European middleweight title defence against Jacques Chinon, of France. Sibson has a suspected broken metacarpel in his



right hand and his arm is in plaster. He was not impressive but in view of his damaged hand be could be excused.

He is likely to be back in action in September against the tough Syrian, Mustapha Hamsho, Sam Burns, Sibson's manager, said: "When Mickey Duff suggested a fight with Hamsho I took it with both hands. Sibson

took it with both hands. Sinson cannot get to Hagler until the end of the year and if he cannot beat Hamsho he should not be fighting Hagler, anyway".

Rudi Koopmans's defence of the European light-heavyweight title against Christiano Cavina has been postponed for a second time. The Dutchman will meet the Italian in Montecatini Terme, near Florence, on June 2.

Hearns injury delays challenge

The world middleweight title fight between the champion, Marvin Hagler, and Thomas Hearns will be postponed from May 24 because of an injury to Hearns' finger. Emanuel Steward, Hearns' manager and trainer, said he believes July 15 is the date for which the bout could be rescheduled.

Hearns, a volunteer auxiliary

rescheduled.
Hearns, a volunteer auxiliary police officer, injured the finger about 10 days ago when he fell after training at the Detroit police department gymnasium. The former World Boxing Association welterwich. ation welterweight champion continued his sparring worknus, but the finger apparently became infected, Steward said. Heurns was due to meet Hagler in Windsur, Ontarlo. — AP.

RUGBY UNION

Wakefield, the cocks of the north, are crowing

By David Hands

The decision of the Rughy Union to shelve plans for a projected national league system for at least five years may give a somewhat enhanced emphasis to the final regional ment tables. Voting by member clubs to an RU questionnaire on the subject showed a slim majority — 355 against leagues although it is possible that some senior clubs may give more time to chewing on this particular hone of contention.

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Meanwhile Waltefield have cause to crow uver their jump from twelfth place in the Northern merit table to the head. Last year Gosforth led the north with a 100 per cent record; this year they give heat to Wakefield, who made it something of a local double by beating Shefield in the final of the Yorkshire Cup.

Wakefield's success -Wakefield's success — their unity blemish was against Fylde — is the culmination of a reorganization of their playing strength over the last five years and it is comforting thought that only three of their leading team arrover 28. Robin Foster, their secretary, attributes their fine easen to an author, which is season to an outlook which almost South Walian. "All th children in whatever school connected in whatever school round here play with an oval-shaped ball, whether they are directed towards Rugby Union or Rugby League", he said yester-

day.

Some of those maturing youngsters helped Yorkshire to a surprise win over Lancashire—ultimately the county champions of them. this season and one of them, the wing Harrison, received a final England trial, Harrison and final England trial. Harrison and the other wing, testiomony to the fluid style of play cultivated by Wakefield and their panel of coaches, headed by a deputy headmaster at the Silcoates School, Mike Elford, who is to coach the senior Yorkshire side next season in succession to Alan Old.

Not that all is sweetness an light in Yorkshire circles. Th Northern major clubs are stil waiting for the RU's reply to letter expressing some concern that the only Yorkshire club to he selected for the new Senior

SPORT IN BRIEF

Sports minister says under-used facilities abound

Emphasising that the govern-ment would not be encouraging further large scale development of recreation centres, the Minis-ter for Sport, Neil Macfarlane, yesterday opened an international sports conference at Wembley with the statement that the country was "rich in under-used facilities," Norman Fox

Speaking largely to representa-tives of recreation and leisure services, some of whom questioned whether it was necessary to expect their centres to be profitable, Mr Macfarlane said there was a "myriad" of potential facilities available at no great

He cited education establishments, which generally closed at 4 pm, and privately owned sports

the selling of the facilities.

The conference, at the Wembley Conference Centre, is being held in conjunction with a trade exhibition opened yesterday by the Olympic champion, Sebastian Coe. He said that at a difficult exhibition opened yesteroay by the Olympic champion, Sebastian Coe. He said that at a difficult period economically, and with more leisure time available all over the world, it was important for people abroad to utilise British "technical know-how". It was in process the Channel, even if it is on the water rather than in

ley, whose playing record this season, and for several seasons past, does not compare too favourably with those of clubs such as Wakefield or Roundhay.

Giving point to the argument is the position Headingley occupy in the Northern merit table proper, to which they were promoted only this season. Lying second from bottom, they now return to the qualifying table.

Farther south, London Irish jumped from seventh to first in the London merit table but in the Midlands and the South-West the same teams, Loicester and Bristol, have yet to be dislodged.

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SWIMMING

Another kind of marathon for New Zealander

Sandra Blewett, a marathon swimmer from Auckland, New Zealand, who has twice been advised ufter serious illness or injury that she would not be able to swim seriously again, plans an

Hands writes.
Miss Blewett, aged 32, who has been living in this country for the past three years, hopes to make her third attempt on the Channel as well as the little-attempted 60-mile Lake Geneva swim and the crossing of the Straits of Gibraltar, if she can

find a sponsor. Eight years ago, on her first Channel swim, she slipped discs in her back so badly that her medical advisers suggested she should give up swimming. But she has come back from that, and his government's alleged policy of reducing under-used school playing fields, he denied that they were actively encouraging the trend these days is to the selling of the facilities.

undertake running at this classic distance.

Miss Blewett, who is a swimming coach but currently lives in Folkestone and works as

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The Times guide to careers training

Roy Hill presents the case for introducing a flexible working year

Between one and two million people in Britain, and untold numbers worldwide, work for employers who allow them, within limits, to choose their hours. Most flexible working hour schemes allow for hours not worked, or over worked, to be credited to, or debited from, the next day, or week, or month — again within accepted ground rules so that the privilege (for it is still seen as a privilege, rather than a right) is not abused.

Now the idea of flexible working

Now the idea of flexible working years is gaining ground. It is after all, a logical extension of the principle enshrined in flexible working hours that employees should be able to contract with their employers, at the start of each year, the total work package for the next 12 months that suits them best.

them best.

As. Dr. Bernhard Teriet, Professor of Labour Economics at the University of Augsburg and a leading proponent of work flexibility, points out, a work pattern of eight hours a day, 40 hours a week, 45 weeks a year for around 45 years, which is the norm in Germany if not in Britain, is neither natural nor immutable.

Such a pattern is saperified only

Such a pattern is sanctified only by traditional ways of thinking and work organization, not by any law of nature or economics. Moreover, of nature or economics. Moreover, already it is fraying around the edges as part-time working, job sharing, earlier retirement, sabbaticals and compulsory leave—three months off decreed by law, in Australia, after 10 years

work with the same employer — begin to disturb the old pattern. So why not allow employees to decide for themselves in what years of their lives they wish to

years of their lives they wish to ment divisions within the Career work hardest and, within each year, how they prefer to relate work to leisure time?

The Munich department store Beck-Feldmeir KG is one of about a dozen West German firms experimenting with flexible working years. It has introduced what it calls individual working time, which allows employees to choose at six-monthly intervals the numerof sections within the Career ment divisions within the Career Care group of employment agencies, the survey reports that more vacancies have been notified to the agency during the first quarter of this year than in 1981.

"Redundancies and liquidations continue but the increase in the numer of vacancies means more choice and less competition for Britain's accountants except for at six-monthly intervals the number of hours they want to work in the following 12 months.

Each employee is free in theory to work three months on and three entering training contracts to months off, to work only Monbecome chartered accountants are days, Wednesdays and Fridays or, now 20 per cent better off than indeed, to work any arrangement they would have been in 1963 and of hours that can be fitted in. now 20 per cent better off than they would have been in 1963 and students finishing training contracts nearly 60 per cent better off.

In practice it is not quite as liberal as that, since there has to However, although young, re-be sufficient regard to the cently qualified accountants in employer's needs. What happens is public practice are still in demand, that small groups of employees, their immediate prospects have that small groups of employees, rather than individuals, decide among themselves when and how Career Care also report more long to work, and their supervisor vacancies in merchant banking in

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No research into flexible working vear experiments of managements who feel that if a job gets done, whether it is done in four or five shifts per person per done, says a member of the increased autonomy there may even be a bonus of increased autonomy there may found rules so that the for it is still seen as a rather than a right) is

What, then, stands in the way of the widespread application of the flexible working year, leading eventually to the flexible working lifetime, in Britain? Rowever, some inexorable trends are at work. One is the increasing reluctance of young, well educated

According to Clive Jenkins of ASTMS, paid overtime was, and still is, the snag. Many workers manage to live only by doing influence, the shape of their own overtime, he says. "Only countries reducing overtime by law are seeing a real reduction in hours worked," he insists. "So far as the flexible working year is concerned, we put up a motion to last year's TUC arguing that we need a fresh look at 48-48-48: 48 hours a week, 48 weeks a year, 48 years a lifetime. We argued for sabbaticals by law and fresh legislation to reduce trips to work".

Similarly, Roy Grantham's and street work. One is the increasing reluctance of young, well educated workers to accept that they cannot control, or at least strongly influence, the shape of their own working lives. The second is the technological revolution, particularly in electronics, which has made an ossified attitude towards work as outdated as the dodo.

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Similarly, Roy Grantham's International Management magaunion, Apex, aims to win a 35-hour zine, published by McGraw-Hill, week for its members and be and joint author of The Re-Making flexible about the way it is applied.

of work

Loudon, but highlight the decen-More chances tralization of other hanking institutes. This may well affect salary and employed levels in central London, where most merchant banking staff are based and wish

inertia and employees' preoccu-pation with more bread-and-butter problems, such as overtime.

A survey just published says to continue to work. that Britain's professionals are past the worst of the recession. Carried out by accountancy, banking and other specialist recruitment divisions within the Career A conference on marketing for the accountancy profession will be held at the CFS Conference Centre, London WI, on May 19.

Organized by Oyez IBC, it will advocate the need for better marketing in the accountancy profession. Factors taken into account will include computer technology and its challenge to the need for accounts to be prepared by accountants; recent EEC legis-lation dispensing with the necess-ity for audited accounts from the small and medium sized company; and the growing number of practice mergers which has led to a demand for specialized or ancillary services. Britain's accountants except for the very young seeking their first position as trainees," say Career Care. are. The survey says that students

Contributors include Aubrey Wilson of Industrial Market Re-search, Lynda King Taylor, senior associate at the Department of Employment Work Research Unit. and Ian Percy, managing partner of Thornton Baker.

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5.40 News: with Richard Baker, 6.00 South East at Six; 6.25 Nationwide.

7.00 Tomorrow's World: A golf course in your

8.00 It Ain't Half Hot Muss: The jungle concert party are dragooned into taking part in a field lest for a new anti-malaria drug (r).

8.30 Sorry: Mother's pet (Ronnie Corbett) is supplanted by his handsome cousin (David

9.25 Bird of Prey: Episode 3 of Ron Hutchinson's computer-age thriller, Henry (Richard Griffiths) joins forces with an Investigative journalist (Ann Pennington).

10.15 Question Time: Tonight's panel consists of Betty Boothroyd MP; Winston Churchill MP; Lord Mayhew (Liberals' defence spokesman) and Mgr. Bruce Kent (general

11.20 Fame: John Pitman Interviews Trevor Lock, the policeman-hero of the Iranian Embassy

11.50 So You Want To Stop Smoking: How to live longer and retain more of your pay packet (r); 12.00 Weather.

siege. How the drama affected his life and

7.25 Top of the Pops: with Simon Bates.

5.05 John Craven's Newsround: junior

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9.00 News: with John Simpson.

secretary of the CND).

6.40 Open University: The Chemistry or Detectives; 7.05 A Woman's Place?; 7.30 Microfossils; Closedown at 7.55; 11.00 Play School:Shirley Gee's story Archie and Auntie (also to be seen on BBC 1 at 3.55 this afternoon); 11.25 Closedown; 1.00 International Closedown; 1.00 international snooker/Chester Racing. The Embassy World Championships, in Sheffield, feature second-rouund matches, Likely visitors to the table: Eddie Charlton, Cliff Thorburn, Perrie Mans. More at 6.55 8.05 and 11.10; Chester Racing at 2 00 including the Chester Racing at 2.00 including the 2.15,2.45 (Ormonde Stakes), 3.15 and the 3.45 (the Dee Stakes. This is the 169th year that this race has been run). Snooker then takes over again

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1.00 entry). 7.05 County Hall: the local

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5.40 Buck Rogers:Episode 8 of the

6.00 The Great Egg Race:Shooting

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6.30 Thames Sport: The national and

7.00 Never the Twain: Comedy series with Oonald Sinden and Windsor Davies as a couple of highly competitive antique dealers. Tonight, they are briefly united (r)

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10.45 Looks Familiar: Show business

ITV/LONDON

6.00 News Briefing. 6.10 Ferming Today. 6.30 Today, including 8.45° Prayer for the Day, 7.0, 8.0 Today's News. 7.30, 8.30 News Headlines. 7.45° Thought for Headlines, 7.45° Thought for the Day. 8.33 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather and Travel. 9.05 Checkpoint. Roger Cooke investigates Istener's experi-ences of suspect dealing and injustics. 9.30 The Living World. 10.00 News. 10.02 As it Happens. A nati

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10.30 Daily Service.
10.45 Morning Story: "Our Fathers" by Tony Shelton.
11.00 News and Travel.
11.03 A Tale of Two Survivors.
11.48 Enquire Within.
12.00 News.
12.02 You and Yours.
12.27 Brain of Britain 1982.†
12.55 Weather and Travel with Programme News.
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News. 4.15 Watch It: Sylvester the Cat cartoon; 4.20
Little House on the Prairle: part one of
Days of Sunshine, Days of Shadow. Sad
news for the mother-to-be. (Melissa 5.45 News from ITN: 6.00, Thames area news. international scene, covered by Derek Thompson, Allan Taylor and Simon Reed,

3.02 Play "Until the Real Thing Comes Along" by Neville Smith.†
4.00 News.
4.02 Round Pegging. David Davies talks about his work as a naturalist and leacher.
4.10 Bookshelf. Magazine programme about books.
4.40 Story Time: "Catalina" by W Somerset Maugham (4).
5.55 Weather and Programme News.
8.00 News and Financial Report. 5.55 Weather and Prog 6.00 News and Financia 6.30 Any Answers?, 6.54 R's a Bargain, 7.00 News, 7.05 The Archers, 7.20 Concert Prelude.†

Radio 4

News. Morrang Concert Handel, Scarlatti, arr. Munrow, records 8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concart (continued)
Haint, Saint-Seens, Chopin (mono); records.
9.05 This Week's Composer Roussel; records †
10.00 Endelion String Quartet Recital: Mozart, Beethoven †
10.50 Bartok's Transcriptions Pianorelcital; Frescobaldi, Domenico 7.30 Maurizio Politini (Conductor and soloist in an all-Mozart journey over the Grand.) reicital: Frescobaldi, Domenico Zipoli, Azzolino Bernardino della Claia, Bach †

11.20 Scottish National Orchestra Concert: Sibelius, Flavel, Granados, Bruckner. The Bruckner work is the Symphony No 3 (Third version).† 1.00 News.
1.05 Bristol Lunchtime Concert direct from St George's, Brandon Hill Song recital: Schubet, Enesco, Haydn †

2.00 Early Works of Britten Chamber music recital, it is given by the Gabriell String Quartet, with Kenneth Essex (vida),†
3.00 Gurrelleder by Schonberg (French Radio recording) † 4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly tor Pleasure †
7.00 Petats of Blood The novel by Ngugi Wa Thiong'o dramatised by Mary Benson, Including the National: music on record,

7.55 Interval: music on record,
9.00 Music of Eight Decades
Concert in a deferred relay
from the Royal Festival Hall,
London. Part I: Lutoslawsku,
Schoenberg †
9.50 Words: Talk by Janet Adam
Smith (3).
9.55 Music of Eight Decades Part 2:
Stravknsky †
11.00 News.
11.05 Schubert on record †
VIFF ONLY — OPEN ISMITER. i Schubert on record.†

VHF ONLY — OPEN UNIVERSITY: 5.55 am The Aeneld:
Myth and Reality 6.15 Imagery
6.35-6.55 Seeing is not
Observing 11.20 pm Rutherlord and the Atom 11.40
Technology — Policy and
Parhcipation 12.00 Fiction Trap
12.20 am Buddhis in Thailand
12.40-1.00 Farm Specialisation.

5.00 Ray Moore.† 7.30 Terry Wogan.†
10.00 Harry Carpenter.† 12.00 Gloria
Hunniford.† 2.00 Ed Stewert.† 4.00
David Hamilton.† 5.45 News and
Sport. 6.00 John Dunn.† 8.00 Country
Ckib.† 9.00 Alan Dell.† 10.00 The
News Huddlines. 10.30 Star Sound
Extra. 11.00 Peter Clayton† from
michighl. 1.00 Encore.† 2.00-5.00 You
and the Night and the Music.†

Emmerdale Farm. 10.45 Venture 11.15 News. 11.20 Local Elections 82 12.20am Closedown.

HTV

5.00 As Radio 2. 7.00 Three Man in a Boat (4). 9.00 Simon Butes. 11.30 Dave Lee Travis. 12.30 Newsboat. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell. 7.00 The Record Producers (fast in series) Chris Thomas. 8.00 David Jensen. 10.00 John Peel, 12.0 midnight Cose. VHF Radios 1 and 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 10.00 pm With Radio 1. 12.00-5.00 am. With Radio 2.

Radio 1

World Service BBC World Service can be received in Western Europe on medium were 6848t/12 483m) at the following limes GMT:- 6.00 Newsdest. 5.30 Terry Wegean's Album Time. 7.00 World News. 7.03 News About British. 7.15 From the Weeklass. 7.30 Classical Record Review. 7.45 Nelwork U.K. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 The Moon and Superice. 8.30 These Musical Islands. 9.00 World News. 8.09 Review of the Briship Press. 8.15 The World Today. 9.30 Finencial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Science in Action. 10.15 New Ideas. 10.25 Fine Week in Welse. 10.30 Thirty Minaste Thestre. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News. about British. 11.15 About Brishim. 11.30 World News. 11.09 News. BBC World Service can be receive Western Europe on medium wave (6-Folkics, 10.00 World News, 18349 Files of the Com Correspondent, 10.30 New Ideas, 10.00 Reflections, 10.45 Sports Roundup, 11.00 Reflections, 10.45 Sports Roundup, 11.05 World News, 11.09 Commentary, 11.15 Letterbox, 11.30 Meridian, 12.00 World News, 12.09 News about Britain, 12.15 Radio Newsroel, 12.30 Fitsy of the Week, 2.00 World News, 2.00 Review of the British Press, 2.15 Good Books, 2.30 Sports Review, 3.00 World News, 3.09 News about Britain 3.15 From our Own Correspondent, 3.50 These Musical Islands, 4.45 Financial Review, 4.55 Reflections, 5.00 World News, 5.08 Review of the British Press, 5.15 Letterbox, 5.45 Letter from America,

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

8.25 No Wheel Ever Crossed the Alps. A reflective journey over the Grand St Bernard Pass. 8.45 Maurinzio Pollini (pert 2)

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8.45 Maurmaio Polini (pert 2)
Mozart.†
9.40 Kaleidoscope.
9.59 Weather.
10.00 The World Tonight.
11.00 A Book Al Bedtime: (Chaplapin'

(9).
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parlament.
12.00 News and Local Election Special.

Special.

ENGLAND VHF with if above except6.25-6.30 Weather and Travel. 9.5 For Schools: 9.5 Noticeboard, 9.10 A service for Schools, 9.35 leerage Playhouse, 9.55 Postry Corner, 10.5 Sounds, Words and Movement, 10.20 Stories and Movement, 10.20 Stories and Rhymes, 10.30 Listen with Mother, 11.00-12.00 For Schools: 9.5 Time and Tune, 11.20 Man, 11.40 Advanced Studies: Geography, 1.55pm Programme News, 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 Living Language, 2.20 Lifetime, 2.40 Days That Made History, 5.50-5.55 PM (continued) 11.30-12.10 Open university: 11.30

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Radio 3

David Owen and James Prior. Introduced by David Dimbleby. Ends at 1.30 approximately. Richard Griffiths, Mandy Rice-Davies in Bird of Prey (BBC 1, 9.25pm)

CHOICE

ouched upon or explored at length

about. And — typical of Miss Panton's dotting of every i and

crossing of every t — we are

reminded of a periphical drama: that

• TRAVELLERS IN TIME is back again (BBC 2, 7.35pm); an occasion of celebration, surely. These films about exploration, marvellousive preserved and unheroically narrated (though the exploits they recount a single aspect of heart transplants are memselves often heroic), are marred only by some spurious sound effects. Tonight's story is surgical or domestic, economic or moral — that has not been either Captain Noel's filmed account of the in one or other of the seven films. And this same exhaustive approach unsuccessful 1922 attempt to conquer Everest. It has classic moments that are the equal of any in is at work in the concluding film. Bruce Anderson has acquired not only a new hear but, because of h making. Will there, for instance, altered life, a new and heavy ever be anything to rival the famous financial burden. Peter Lobo, the pictures of the "smoking summit"? other transplant patient, will always have the twin worries of possible infection and rejection to worry Next week, a 1921 film of the taboo goblins of Papua.

 HEART TRANSPLANT, Louise Panton's unprecedently comprehensive series about a specific area of medical innovation, of the bereaved parents of the enaged girl whose heart now comprehensive because there is not beats inside the body of Mr Lobo. specific area of medical innovation,

9.00 Call My Bluff: Tonight's players are Frank Muir, Kate O'Mera, Godfrey Smith, Arthur Marshall Victoria Wood and Tim Brooke-

9.30 Heart Transplant:Final film in this all-embracing documentary series about the operations at Harefield Hospital (see Choice) 10.10 The Old Grey Whistle Test:
with Spandau Ballet and Gang
of Four. There is also some
1973 film of Kevin Ayers.

10.45 Newsnight: 11.10 International Snooker: The Embassy championships (contd). Newsnight: Local Election Special. Reports from round the country, and comment from Jo Grimond, Neil Kinnock,

minute local and national news from the key seats in the municipal elections. The anchor man is Andrew Gardner. Leading politicians will be in the studio to comment on the likely outcome as the early results a

11.15 Thames News Election Special: Up-to-the-

1.15 Close: Humphrey Lyttelton reads from one of his tayourite works.

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CHANNEL As Themes except: 1.20pm-1.30 News: 3.45 Little House on the Prairie. 5.20-6.45 Crossroads, 6.00 Channel Report, 6.15 incredible Hulk, 7.00-7.30 Benson, 10.50 Mannis, 11.45 in Concert: Blues Band, 12.15am Superstar Profile: Roger Moore, 12.40 Chasafram

BBC 1

BBC CYMRU/WALES 12.57-1.00 pm

News of Wales, 6,00-6,25 Wales Today, 7,00-7,25 Heddrw, 12,00-12,25 Micros in the Ctassroom, 12,25 News of Wales, SCOTLAND 12,55-1,00pm Scottish News, 6,00-6,25 Reporting Scotland, 8,00-8,30 Sorry! 8,30-8,00 Current Account, 11,20-12,45am Regional Vote 82, (Voting for the risin Beauchal Councils and Three

the nine Regional Councils and Three Island Authorities in Scotland). 12.45 Scotlish News. NORTHERN IRELAND

3.55 Northern Ireland News, 0.03-3.53 Scene Around Siv. 8.00-8.30 Space Oddity (2), 12.00midnight Northern Ireland News, ENGLAND 6.00-6.25pm Regional Magazines, 12.05am Close.

11.30-11.50am For Schools, 12 1.00pm Northern Ireland News,

TVS As Thames except: 1.20-1.30pm News. 2.00-2.45 Not for women only, 5.15 Watch this Space . . . 5.30-5.45 Coast to Coast. 6.00 Coast to Coast.

TYNE TEES

As Thames except: Starts 9.25am Good Word. 9.30-9.35 News. 1.20pm 1.30 News. Lookaround. 4.20 Lone Ranger. 4.50-5.45 Voyage to the boltom of the Sea. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northern Life 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Farm. 10.47 Job Stot Extra. 10.53 Best of Three: Indoor Bowls. 11.25 Come In. 11.55 Bizarre. 12.25am in the Picture. 12.30 Closedown.

As Thames except: 1.20pm-1.30 News, 4.20 Jangles, 4.50 Sport Billy, 5.20-5.45 Crossroads, 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.30 Banson, 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Farm, 10.45 Scotsport Quiz. 11.15 Maybe Tomorrow. 11.4 Late Call. 11.50 Regions Decide. 12.45sm. Closedown.

SCOTTISH

GRAMPIAN As Thames except: Starts 9.25am-9.30 First Thing. 1.20pn-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 North Tonight, 6.30 Police News. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Private Benjamin. 10.45 Cover to Cover. 11.15 Bizarre. 11.45 Love American Style. 12.15am News. 12.30 Closedown. As Thames except. Starts 9,25am

ULSTER

YORKSHIRE As Thames except: 12.30pm-1.00 Young Doctors, 1.20-1.30 News, 4.20 Sport Biby, 4.45 Jason of Star Command, 5.15-5.45 Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World, 6.00

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News, 4.20 Sport Billy, 4.45-5.45 Little
House on the Prairie, 5.00 Calendar,
6.35 Crossroads, 7.00-7.30
Emmerdale Farm, 10.45 Hill Street
Blues, 11.45 Calendar Election
Special, 12.45am Closedown.

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30
News, 3.45 Little House on the Prairie.
5.15 Gus Honeyoun, 5.20-5.45
Crossroads, 6.00 Today South West.
6.30 Scene South West Special, 7.00-7.30 Benson, 10.50 Mannix, 11.45 in
Concert: Blues Band, 12.15 am
Superstar Profile: Roger Moore, 12.40
Postscript, 12.46 Closedown.

ANGLIA

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.00-2.45 Nol for Women Only 4.20 Fanglace, 4.45 Adventures of Black Beauty, 5,15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm, 6.00 About Anglia, 6.20 Arena, 6.35 Crossroads, 7.00-7.30 Survival, 10.45 Scrossr 10.45 Snooker 82. 11.30 Election '82. 12.15 am Jazz. 12.45 Letters from

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 4.20 Palmerstown USA, 5.15-5.45 University Challenge, 6.00 Lookaround, 6.35 Crossroads, 7.00-

WHAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO

Court of Appeal

Law Report May 6 1982

Cherry Gillespie: she appears in

Retirement no 'just cause' for benefit

Crewe and Another v Anderson (National Insurance Officer) Before Lord Denning, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Donald-son and Lord Justice Slade

For an employee to prove that he had "just cause" within section 20(1)(a) of the Social Security Act 1975 for leaving his employment so as not to be disqualified for receiving unemdisqualified for receiving unemployment benefit under the section it was necessary for the employee to show that he was right and reasonable in the context of the risk of unemployment to leave his job, thus throwing on to the National Insurance Fund the burden of paying unemployment benefit; it was not sufficient for him to prove that he had acted in his prove that he had acted in his

The Court of Appeal so new midsmissing an appeal under section 14(1) of the Social Security Act 1980 by Ernest Graham Crewe and the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association from a decision of a Social Security Commissioner, Mr

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that Mr Crewe had been a school teacher. He was aged 61

As his Lordship had said in R v National Insurance Commissioner, Ex parte Stratton ([1979] QB 361, 369]: ". if a decision of the commissioners has remained undisturbed for a long time, not amended by regulation, nor challenged by certiorari, and has been acted upon by all concerned, it should normally be regarded as binding. The High Court should not interfere with it save in exceptional circumstances..."

Those decisions were best understood by remembering that most of them were given at a time when a man had no proprietary right in his job. There had been no provision for redundancy, payment and no compensation for unfair dismissal.

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Even though a man had been an excellent workman he could have been dismissed at a week's notice and put on the street with no payment from anyone. Such a man ought to be entitled to unemployment benefit as soon as he lost his job.

But if he voluntarily retired from his work with no other job to go to his loss of income was his own choice. He had no just cause for retiring. He would not be entitled to unemployment benefit.

Suppose his retirement had

DENTEL THE REAL THING

COMES ALONG (Radio 4, 3.02pm), a sad comedy about the corrosive effects of success, is from the pen

of Neville Smith. I must remind you that he is the man who wrote the Albert Finney film Gurnshoe which,

in 1971, raised hopes of a revival in the British film industry. Chariots of Fire is doing the same thing in 1982

with, one hopes, a better chance of success. Mr Smith knows his

Merseyside and has an ear that is finely funed to the Liverpuddians

background of economic and racial boorishness. Excellent

boy of the underwear factory, Lynda Marchal as his mother and Susan

sheds on the road to Better Things.

performances all round, especially

from William Nighy as the golden

tricks of soeech. But, no less

important, he sets the comedy

elements in his play against a realistic and wholly convincing

the claimant had acted without just cause.

His Lordship was prepared to assume that Mr Crewe's acceptance was in the interests of the rest of the community. That was not the issue.

The compromise which was involved or the balance which had to be struck was between Mr Crewe's personal wishes and interests and the interests of his unemployment underwriters. In so far as the interests of the rest of the community were involved it was only in its capacity as underwriters.

On the facts Mr Crewe had

News at Bedtime, Closedown

As Thames except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 3.45 Making of a Crew: Lileboatmen. 4.15 Here's Boomer. 4.45 Flying Kiwi, 5.05 Jobkine, 5.15-5.45 Benson. 6.00 News. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Farm. 10.45 Flowers Darisathion 1982. 11.15 Lou Grani. 12.15sm What the Papers Sav. 12.30 What the Papers Say. 12.30

HTV CYMRU/WALES As HTV West except. 9.35am-9.50 Wates and the Sea, 11,22-11,37 Yn Eu Cynefin, 12,00-12,10pm Mistar Clai, 4,15 Murphy's Mob, 4,45-5,15 Ser, 6,00 Y Dydd, 6,15-6,35 Report Wates, 10,30-15,00

GRANADA

As Thames except: 1.20pm Granada Reports. 1.30 Exchange Flags. 2.00 Crown Court. 2.30-2.45 Yesterday. 4.20 Hera's Boomer. 4.50-5.45 Little House on the Pratrie. 6.00 This is Your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30 Granada Reports. 7.00-7.30 Emmerdaie Farm. 10.45 Ctubland. 11.20 Granada Reports Local Election Report. 12-50am Closedown

7.30 Emmerdale Farm. 10.45 Snooke 11.45 Bizarre. 12.00 News. 12.03 am

Chancery Division

Liquidator loses debenture action costs

benefit which went back 70 years. It was now contained in section 20(1)(a) of the Social Security Act 1975. The question was whether Mr Crewe left his employment without just cause?" At first sight it looked as if he had just cause for leaving his employment. His employers had wanted him to go not for his own sake, but for their sake. That simple approach was made approach was also get unemployment benefit for six weeks. That simple approach was made appr

Judgment delivered May 5

own interests.
The Court of Appeal so held in

ation from a decision of a Social Security Commissioner, Mr Roderic Bowen, QC, upholding the determination of a local tribunal confirming the decision of Mr. Anderson, a National Insurance Officer, that Mr Crewe was not entitled to unemployment benefit from September 18 to October 27, 1979, following his voluntary retirement as from September 1.

Section 20(1) of the 1975 Act provides: "A person shall be disqualified for receiving unemployment benefit for [a] period not exceeding 6 weeks ... if — (a) he has lost his employment as an employed earner through his misconduct, or has voluntarily left such employment without just cause; ... "

just cause; ... "
just cause; ... "
Mr Rupert Jackson for Mr
Crewe; Mr Simon D Brown for
the National Insurance Officer.

That simple approach was contrary to a long line of decisions by the commissioners. They were of much persuasive force. force.

As his Lordship had said in R v

Suppose his retirement had been due to illness or old age, or having to look after a sick wife. He would have lost his income for a just cause.

school teacher. He was aged 61 and had taught for 39 years. Then the education authority had wanted the older teachers to retire voluntarily. They had offered considerable induces ments.

Those had proved sufficiently and the form obtaining it for the lirst six weeks.

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just to the fund that he should also get unemployment benefit for six weeks.

Even though the employer wanted him to retire, and offered him inducements to do so for the employer's benefit, he was still getting a substantial financial benefit for himself and was disqualified for obtaining unemployment benefit. The appeal should be dismissed.

should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE DONALDSON said that the meaning of "without just cause" had been debated since at least 1930, but the most authoritative exposition, and that which was accepted by insurance officers, local appeal tribunals and social security commissioners was contained in a decision of three commissioners under the chairmanship of Sir Robert Micklethwaite, QC, in 1964 (R(U) 20/64).

The essence of the decision was expressed in succinct form in paragraph 13, where the commissioners said: "...the claimant ought to take such steps as are reasonably open to him to avoid voluntarily becoming unemployed and dependent on the National Insurance Fund."

It had been submitted that the fundamental justification for a premature retirement scheme of the present type was that it was necessary in the interests of the community as a whole, and that in accepting premature retirement Mr Crewe had just cause.

The commissioner had rejected that argument on the basis that it was not for him to consider whether the scheme was in the public interest, and that the essential facts were that Mr Crewe had wanted to retire, that he had no intention of seeking alternative employment following his retirement, and that he had taken no steps to do so.

In such circumstances, in the

with no reasonable alternative to leaving his employment.

Again, although the risk of unemployment might arise from his voluntary act, he might have taken steps to minimise that risk, by obtaining a promise of immediate fresh employment or by taking steps to lead to such employment, as to make it right and reasonable to leave

"Just cause" meant no more than right or right and reasonable in the context of the risk of unemployment, any change of employment was likely to involve some risk of temporary unemployment and the question was whether the conduct of the claimant had been such as to create an unreasonable risk of such unemployment. If it had, the claimant had acted without just cause.

on the facts Mr Crewe had created a very high risk of unemployment amounting virtually to a certainty, and accordingly left his employment without just cause. The appeal should be dismissed.

LORD JUSTICE SLADE, said that the primary purpose of the unemployment insurance scheme was to insure against unemployment involuntarily incurred. It was implicit in the scheme that, in broad terms, each insured person owed a responsibility to all other persons who underwrote the National Insurance Fund not to incur unemployment by his own voluntary act.

Underment delivered April 7]
Where a receiver was appointed by a debenture holder which created a floating charge over a company's assets, the appointment being made after the presentation of a creditor's petition to wind up the company but before the making of a compusory winding up order, the liquidator was not entitled to recover his taxed costs, amounting to £1,491, incurred in unsuccessful litigation to set aside the debenture in priority to repayment of the principal sum secured by the debenture. His Lordship so held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division on a summons by Mr Owen Neil Martin, the liquidator of Christonette International Ltd,

of Christonette International Ltd, against the receiver and man-Mr David Oliver for the liquidator; Mr Hubert Picarda for the receiver.

Mr JUSTICE VINELOTT said that on November 15, 1977, the company issued a debenture for £20,000, and charged its undertaking, property and assets as security. On February 6, 1978 it issued a second debenture for £15,000 to the same debenture bolder, both debentures being duly registered under section 95 of the Companies Act 1948.

On October 30, 1978, the debenture holder called for repayment of both debentures. A creditor's petition for compulsory winding up was presented on December 13, 1978. On January 19, 1979, the debenture holder appointed a receiver and manager, and on January 22, 1979, a compulsory winding up order was made.

A liquidator was appointed on 1979, a compulsory winding up order was made.

A liquidator was appointed on March 16, 1979. Shortly afterwards the liquidator instructed solicitors to institute proceedings to set aside the debentures and to apply for an injunction to restrain the receiver from making any payment to the debenture holder. An action was duly commenced on April 26, 1979, but on May 18, 1979 the action was dismissed with no order as to costs.

The liquidator had retained solicitors and commenced the action without authority from the court, but the retainer and the institution of proceedings were retrospectively sanctioned by

then £35,000 of the purchase price was to be repaid to the purchaser.

The receiver had discharged those liabilities of the company which were given preference by section 319 of the Companies Act 1948, and which under section 94 (1) were payable out of assets coming into his hands in priority to the principal and interest secured by the debentures. He had also paid or retained his own expenses and remuneration, and had, in addition, paid the petitioning creditor's taxed costs, and lastly the principal sum secured by the first debenture.

Such payments had almost exhausted the moneys in the fast, ooo and its accrued interest fell to be repaid to the receiver, there would probably be sufficient moneys to pay the principal sum secured by the second debenture with interest on both debentures, and leave a surplus for which he would have to account to the liquidator, which would probably suffice to meet the liquidator's costs in the liquidator.

If the £35,000 fell to be refunded to the purchaser then there would be no surplus for the liquidator.

The question was whether in those circumstances the receiver should have paid the principal sum secured by the irst debenture before paying the liquidator his taxed costs.

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The case for the liquidator was based on In re Barlegorn Enterprises Ltd([1970] Ch 465) where the question was whether fees charged by chartered accountants for preparing a statement of affairs, which fees had been approved by the official receiver and which were clearly expenses of the winding up took priority over the claims of preferential creditors.

Section 319 (5) did not specifically refer to the costs and expenses of winding up though such costs were given priority over preferential debts to the extent of the "assets" of the company by section 319 (6). The order in which the costs and expenses of a winding up are to be paid out of assets is in turn governed by rule 195 of the Companies (Winding-up) Rules (SI 1949 No 330) where the Costs of preparing a statement of affairs were given a high priority.

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As Thames except: 1.20pm-1.30 Sound of ... 5.30-6.25 Good Evening Ulster. 6.25 Police Str. 6.35 Crossroeds. 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Farm. 10.45 Hill Street Blues. 1.30

rupicy Act 1888 (the precurser of sections 94 and 319 of the 1948 Act) that assets comprised in a floating charge ceased to be assets of the company as soon as the floating charge crystallized, and became a fixed charge which of course it necessarily did on

above the receiver in the present case had in fact paid all debts to which preference was given It was argued that section, 319 supplemented section 94 and applied to any assets which were subject to a floating charge at the date of presentation of the petition so far as not absorbed in making payments given preference over the claims of the debenture holder by section 94. His Lordship found that an impossible contention.

The purpose of section 94 was to give priority to debts and other liabilities which would have been preference to the period ending with the appointment of a receiver or a taking of possession) notwithstanding that by such appointment or taking of possession the assets over which of course it necessarily did on the making of a winding up order, if still floating immedi-ately before the order was made. But to construe the words "the assets" in section 319 (5) (a) and 319 (6) as embracing only free assets which at the date of the winding up order were not subject to a floating charge produced as abridge abrundity.

winding up order were not subject to a floating charge produced an obvious absurdity.

On that construction the effect of section 319 (6) was that the costs and expenses of the winding up were given priority over "the foregoing debts" — that is to say debts which were made preferential by section 319 (1) — to the extent that the company had free assets; but to the extent that the assets "available for payment of general reditors" were insufficient (that is to the extent that assets not comprised in a floating charge or not received to meet the debts thereby secured were insufficient to meet preferential debts but not the costs and expenses of the winding up were given priority over the claims of the debenture holder.

In Barleycorn, the Court of the definition of section 319 (5) (a) and (6) and crystallized the proceeds of

"assets" for the purposes of section 319 (5) (a) and (6) and rule 195. But if the floating charge had

winding up were given priority over the claims of the debenture holder.

In Barleycorn, the Court of Appeal avoided that absurdity by holding that in the Preferential Payments in Bankruptcy Acts of 1888 and 1897, and in the sections of the Companies Acts which successively reenacted them, and in rule 195, the word "assets" was used in a different sense so as to include assets comprised in a floating charge. In that case of course the floating charge was still floating immediately before the winding up order was made and the order of application of cassets was governed by section 319 in the present case the floating charge had crystallized and become a fixed charge when the receiver was appointed and took possession of the company's assets, with a mind to realizing them for the benefit of the receiver was appointed and the principal and interest due to the debenture holder.

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Section 319 (15) (a) and (6) and realization of the assets comprised therein to the executor greatile to meet preferential expenditure holders.

That construction of section 94 was supported by in re Griffin Hotel Co Ltd (1941) Ch 129), a fortion of relevant to it. In the Griffin Hotel case Mr (4) (b) of the Companies Act 1929 included all floating charge. In the

Death penalty vote on Tuesday

By Anthony Bevins, **Political Correspondent**

The House of Commons is to be given the opportunity to vote for the return of capital punishment next Tuesday.

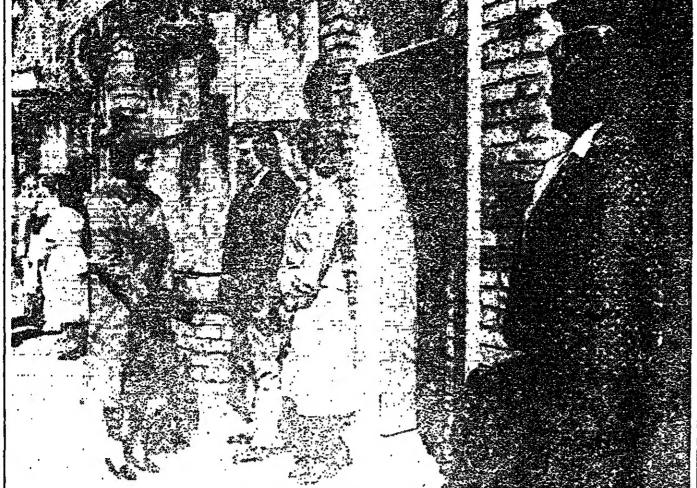
It was revealed last night that the Criminal Justice Bill is to be given three days for its report stage, providing Falklands emergency does not force a rearrangement of parliamentary business, and that capital punishment would be allocated the first full day of debate.

This decision will be announced in the Commons this aftrnoon.
Mr William Whitelaw, the

Home Secretary, has already expressed the hope that Mr George Thomas the Speaker will group the four new clauses containing capital punishment options, with four separate divisions to take place at the end of debate, at 10 pm on Tuesday.

Three original new clauses abled by Mr Vivian Bendall, Ilford, North, and Mr Edward Taylor, Southend, East, propose the death pealty fro terrorism involving loss of life, for murder of plice and prison officers, and for murder committed in the course of robbery and burcourse of robbery and bur-glary, involving the use of

The last death penalty vote in July, 1979, opposed the punishment by 362 votes to 243.



The Street turns out for the Queen

During their visit to the newly-built television set for the Street, the Queen and long running IV series in a reported to be a Prince Philip met the cast's former railway yard near the watcher of the series.

Since then a group of senior Conservative back-benchers have tabled a more general new clause, stating: "A person convicted of murder shall be liable to capital punishment."

The last death penalty vote in Lourd penalty vote in Manyor of Manutherster: "It is Elsie Tanner (Pat Phoenix) the former outside set a looks on. The new location for the entic enough. The Queen is long running TV series in a reported to be a regular

Bishops condemn Polish police

From Roger Boyes Warsaw, May 5

The Polish Roman Catholic Church today strongly criticized the Government's handling of Monday's violent demonstrations in the country and made it clear that it expected substantial con-cessions before a lasting national agreement could be

found, "The state will be able to fulfil its task only when it enjoys public support - only then will the common build ing of a jointly drafted programme be able to get under way," the country's bishops declared in a statement issued today.

However, the church leadership showed that it was at least ready to maintain a semblance of a dialogue with the martial law authorities and pressed on with a scheduled meetig of the joint consultative government-church council. Church sources said that the meeting was unusually short and to the point. This was reflected in the conciseness of the communique which said little more than that both sides had "expressed their concern about the social situation in Poland'

Church sources say that senior clergy have been complaining bitterly about police behaviour on Monday. both towards their par-ishioners and towards church buildings. Zomo riot police threw tear gas canisters into at least two churches to force out demonstrators claiming sanctuary.

The bishops praised last week's concession made by the Government in terms of

Buenos Aires as totally discredited since the United States sided with Britain. However, they say Argentina is beginning to have second thoughts about President Belaunde Terry's peace initiative.

Fans mourn

Portsmouth and Exeter City fans stood in silence for

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Decency and restraint overcomes the House

the news to the House late the night hefore, Mr Nott Mr Alan Clark, a tory who rose to make a fuller statement about the last hours of HMS Sheffield.

Decent restraint has not come easily to some Members these last four weeks. Some have had difficulty being decent. Others have-Nott's appearance the night before, some of us had sat had triumphantly asked the Secretary of State for Defence whether, after the loss of the Sheffield, the Prime 'Minister "is still inviting us to rejoice, re-joice." He was quoting from Mrs Thatcher's reaction to the blookless retak-ing of South Georgia. Stuff near-united support when so vile and orude boded ill the task force set sail for yesterday's exchanges as Chamber and galleries began to fill. Mercifully we heard no more of it. No doubt it will be heard again in due course, but vester-day's darkest enemies.

Mr Nort had little to add. He named the dead Harrier pilot. He put the number of missing at 30. Next of kin were being informed. He said that the thoughts of the whole House were with them. Mrs Thatcher, seated next to his, was as pale as she had been when she sat in the same place, alongside the same Minister, at 11-0 clock previous evening.
Sometimes her gaze was
lowered. Sometimes it
scanned the Labour henches, looking with horror for
some lurking Mikardo.

Twenty-four hours before this appearance in the Chamber yesterday, 24 hours almost to the minute, Mrs Thatcher had made a fateful remark to Mr. Foot. the had contrived to suggest that the sinking of the General Belgano had put British lives at risk, as if that risk were not already inherent in the very sending of the task force which he had supported. She had told him that she had to "live hourly" with the worry that the Argentines "might get through". That was the way British lives would be put at risk. Her wording gave a suggestion that she believed it a danger not something

A decent restraint was she was sitting on the front observed by most of the commons when, as he she was in a dream and promised when breaking perhaps wishing that she

represents the constituency of Plymouth, Sutton, asked Mr Nott to assure that wherever possible next of kin would hear of these events before the news was released. And would it not be preferable for an officer had diffivulty being re- to visit the relatives, to strained. Mr Ian Mikardo, ensure that there was no the perennial Labour left-winger, for example, is one explain entitlements? It was of those who have not been curiously right that so up to either. During Mr mundane a question — with its bleak reference to "entitlements" and to the in the galiery repelled as he proprieties to be observed on these occasions -should have been the first from the back benches, heard while the House was still tense and silent. It fittingly depicted a world of misery inescapable from the military venture to which the task force set sail Mr Pym, the Foreign Secretary, made a statement about the diplomatic after-math. He was rather more interested in the United Nations than he had been few days agn. By the time impression was that the

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test. Mr Healey, the shadow Foreign Secretary, rose He has been a party politician nearly all his adult life. He knows no other trade. He has continued to practise it over this last month. But he is also a man who can tell when an occasion is inap-propriate to his professional

men of peace and nego-

tiation were soon going to have their advice put to the

Associating the Labour Opposition with the tributes paid to the lost British servicemen, he said that they "gave their lives in the defence of the principle which is regarded as of great importance by all members of the House.

There was a cheer at this. but rather more from the Tories than from Mr Healey's own party. Admittedly, the shadow Foreign Sec-retary wandered off into a question to Mr Nott about the relative positions of the Belgrano and the British task force, a question designed to prove some point which Mr Healey had tried to score off Mr Nott it a danger, not something the previous day. Mr Heareally likely, But now that hour had came, and here

How HMS Sheffield was hit

By Hugh Noyes. Parliamentary Correspondent

Continued from page 1 aircraft, although this was not certain. That was possibly the reason why the attack was with Exocet missiles. The Sheffield was armed with Sea Dart missiles of the latest kind. These were an air defence weapon and were not very successful against incoming missiles of a particular kind. It was not known why the Sea Dart system did not successfully engage the aircraft but it was

pilot of the Sea Harrier lost A Ministry of Defence in the attack on the airfield spokesman said last night at Port Stanley as Lieutenant that they were aware of but

Mr Denis Healey, Opposition spokesman on foreign affairs, was cheered by MPs on both sides of the Commons when, in paying tribute to the courage of the Harrier pilot and the crew of the Sheffield, he said they had system did not successfully engage the aircraft but it was possible that it came in very low, under radar cover.

Mr Noti also named the given their lives in the defence of a principle that was regarded as of great importance by all members of the House.

would not confirm reports that the main Argentine fleet was outside the 200 mile Military Exclusion Zone and heading back towards Argen-tina, but that two Argentina submarines remained inside

There was no further news of either the casualties or the survivors of HMS Sheffield and little enough of the ship itself except that she was still

Britain favours Peruvian initiative diplomatic solution is the

Continued from page 1

acceptable to Britain. These are: the mechanics for a withdrawal of Argentinean forces from the islands; the establishment of an interim administration on the islands with international participation on the participation of the participation on the islands with international participation on the islands with international participation on the islands with international participation of the participation o

warm relations which exist The main attraction for the British of the Peruvian proposals is that they contain the elements of a three-point package which would be acceptable to Britain. These are: the mechanics for a withdrawal of Argentinean forces from the islands: the warm relations which exist between Lima and Buenos Aires. This could mean that a solution put forward by Peru would be more palatable to the Argentines than one proposed by the Americans who are now openly siding with the British.

long-term solution without prejudging the sovereignty question.

Another attraction of Peru-vian initiative because they are working very closely and they are working very closely they are working very closely they are working very closely and they are working very closely third Division football match, in tribute to the diplomat said today.

But Argentine sources say Sheffield, which was based in Portsmouth.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

of Edinburgh attends Game Conservation Inter-national Convention, Churchill Hotel, Portman Square, W1, 9.15; as Admiral of the Royal Naval as Admiral of the Sayling Association, presents prizes for Whitbread Round the prizes for Whitbread Round the World Race, Porter Tun Room, Whitbread Brewery, Chiswell Street, EC1. 5.30; later as Senior Fellow, Fellowship of Engineering, attends New Fellows Dinner, Apothecaries' Hall, Black Friars

ing, attends New Fellows Dinner.
Apothecaries' Hall, Black Friars
Lane, EC4, 7.45.
Queen Elizaheth the Queen
Mother visits exhibitions markda Street, Hanley, Stoke-on-

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The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15,824

Princess Margaret visits Becton Dickinson factory, Plymouth,

The Duke of Gloucester opens Chester-le-Street Civic Centre, co Durham, 11.40; opens Royal Mail House, Darlington, 3.

The Duchess of Gloucester attends London Suzuki Group School Appeal Concert, St James's Palace, 7.25.

Exhibitions in progress

ing centenary of Royal Cambrian Academy of Art at Conway and Llandudno, N Wales, 12.30.

Trent; Mon to Sat 10.30 to 5, Wed 10.30 to 8 (until May 15).

Leaves Never Grow on Trees, (until May 22).

(until May 12).

Late Sickert paintings, Wolver-hampton Art Gallery, Lichfield Street, Wolverhampton; Mon to Sat 10 to 6 (until May 22).

Stamps, covers and photographs depicting sail training ships of the world, Maritime Museum, The Quay, Exeter; daily 10 to 5 (until December 31).

Concert, Judie Tzuke, Colston Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30.

Objects Human Scale: contem-

Objects Human Scale: contem-porary Australian jewelry and

porary Australian Jewerly and ceramics. City Art Centre, 2 Market Street, Edinburgh; Monto Sat 10 to 5 tuntil May 15].

Replica Crown Jewels, Chapter House, Guildford Cathedral; Monto Sat 10 to 4.30, Sun 1 to 5; late opening Wed 6.45 to 8.30 (until lune 28).

June 291.
Paintings by Helon Wilks and glass pieces by Sam Herman, Bridge Street Gallery, 7a Bridge Street, Bath: Mon to Sat 10 to 15.30 (until May 29).

Batik by Rusa Seldon, Falmouth Ari Gallery, The Moor, Falmouth Mon to Fri 10 to 1 and

2 to 4.30 (until May 21).
Images of Reality photographs tracing the background of the Blackfoot Nation, Captain Cook Birthplace Museum, Stewart Park, Marton, Middlesbrough: 10 to 6 daily (until June 11).

Talks, lectures Why does the horn point backwards? — lecture/recital in aid of Bournemouth Orchestra Appeal Fund, by Christopher Martin and James Crump, Arts Centre, Weymouth, 7.30.

The Revolutionary Require. The Revolutionary Requirement of Christianity Today, by Lord Soper, Great Hall, Magee University College, Londonderry, N Ireland. 8.

Concert by London Muzart Players, Colston Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30. Recital by Deborah Dales (soprano) and Diane Stewart (cello), United Reform Church, Hallgate, Doncaster, 7.30.

Sporting fixtures

Music

Cricket: Full county championship programme (11.0), page 23. Racing: Flat meetings at Salisbury (1.30) and Chester (2.15); NH at Huntingdon (2.20). Rugby League: Second div-ision, Hunslet v Oldham (7.0). Golf: WPGA tournament, Woburn Northern Open, at Cruden Bay, Aberdeenshire. Snooker: World champion-ships, Sheffield (11.0, 3.15 and

Commons (2.30): Debate on

economic and employment pros-

pects in Wales.

Lords (3): Epsom and Walton
Downs Regulations Bill, second
reading Administration of Justice

Bill, report, second day. Debate

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on state aid to agriculture.

Speedway: England v United States, Ipswich (7.30). 22 Red leader gets bad mark accepting money (6). 24 ARP's order in file (4). Solution of Puzzle No 15,823 Parliament today

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New books — fiction

Leaves Never Grow on Trees, four priors from Max Ernst's Historic Naturelle, Billingham Art Gallery, Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30 order of ment or preference:

A Chair of Voices by Angre Brink (Faber 57.95)

Headbirths, or The Germans are Dying Out, by Gunter Grass (Secker & Varburg, £6.95)

Penguin, £2.25)
The Voyage of the Destiny, by Robert Nye (Hamish Hamilton, £8.50)

The papers

Calling for an immediate easefire and suggesting a United

Nations trusteeship in the Falklands, the Daily Mirror says: "Too many brave men have already died... in the wake of death, peace should be given a real chance."

The government must pursue discussions leading to a cease-fire, but not at the price of a self-

Tire, but not at the price of a sen-out, says the Morning Telegraph, Sheffield, which would be a "shameful betrayal" of sailors who have already died.

Le Monde said yesterday that Mrs Thatcher, "in defence of principles gives way neither to a sense of proportion not to the necessary balance between farce

The Frankfuter Rundschau feels "the aggressive form of British 'self defence' recalls the

days of Empire", while the Kölner Stadtanzeiger calls on the Allies to oppose "this danger-

Allies to oppose "this danger-ously escalating British oper-

The Washington Post called on Brita I and Argentina to stop the shooting and resume nego-tiations, saying casualties should

not be allowed to inflame passions and obscure the possi-bility of further mediation.

London and South-east: Road-works in Richmond town centre congestion on A316, Chertsey Road. A40: Roadworks between

Ealing and Denham. M3: Lane

interchange, near Severn Bridge. Midlands: A625: Closed at Mam

Tor, Derbyshire; diversion. M5:
Lane closures between junctions
7 and 8 (Ross-on-Wye). M1: Only
hard shoulder open southbound
between junction 26 (Nottingham) and Trowell service area.
North: A59/A629: Roadworks at

Skipton, N Yorkshire. A1/A6136

Lane closures on Catterick by-pass, N Yorkshire. A6072: Delays likely on Heighington by-pass, Co

Durham. Scotland: M8: Lane closures

Information supplied by the AA.

and diplomacy".

Roads

today at the National Postal Museum, King Edward Street, EC1 (Mon to Thurs 10 to 4.30, Fri 10 to 4, until May 28).

Anniversaries

Births: Maximilien Robes-pierre, Arras, 1758; Sigmund Freud, Freiberg (Pribor, Cze-choslovakia), 1856; Rudolph Valentino, Castellaneta, Italy, 1895. Deaths: Alexander von Margheld Carray sciences and 1895. Deaths: Alexander von Humboldt, German scientist and explorer. Berlioi, 1859; Henry David Thoreau, Concord, Mass, 1862; Paul Gauguin, Tahiti, 1903; Edward VII, London, 1910. Lord Frederick Cavendish and Thomas H Burke were murdered by Irish nationalists, in Phoenix Park, Dublin, 1882.

BBC booklet

service to take account of the licence fee increase and explain ing how the money is spent, can be obtained from Information Services - Television, Television Centre, Wood Lane, London W12 7RJ (enclose s.a.e.). closures between junctions 3
(Bagshot) and 4 (Farnborough).

Wales and West: A358: Roadworks E of Taunton. A38: Long delays W of Wellington, Somerset. M4/M5: Roadworks and lane restrictions at Almondsbury interchange pages Severa Paidage

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A Standard of Behaviour, by William Trevor (Abacus, £1.95) Gentlemen Prefer Blondes, by Anita Loos (Picador, £2.95)

Warburg, £6.95)
Ladysmead, by Jans Gillespie (Hale, £7.25)
Midsummer Night Madness, by Sean O'Faolain (Penguin, £2.95)
Of Mortal Love, by William Gerhardle (Penguin, £2.95)
Returning, by Edna O'Brien (Weldenfeld & Nicolson, £6.50)
Thanksgiving, by Terry Coleman (Hutchinson, £7.95)
The House of Cards, by Leon Garfield (The Bodley Head, £7.50)
The Internal Desire Machines of Doctor Hoffman, by Angela Carter

National Stamp Day

This week is National Stam Collecting Week, and today is National Stamp Day, marking the anniversary of the first issue in 1840 of the Penny Black, the world's first adhesive postage

stamp.
The Covent Garden Stamp Festival, in Covent Garden Market, runs until Saturday, and includes philatelic displays and a dealers fair.

An exhibition of stamps designed by Edmund Dulac open

The revised BBC facts and figures 1982 booklet, giving information about the television The pound

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forecast

The cold showery air stream will persist.

Weather

6 am to midnight

London, SE. cent S, E England, East Anglia, E Midlands, Channel Islands: Becoming rather cloudy with showers of longer outbreaks of rain but clearer and dry later; winds variable becoming mainly W, Light Max temp 9 to 11C (48 to 52f), trost

Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee-:Rather cloudy with some showers, sunny or clear periods developing, becoming mostly dry; winds backing slowly SW, moderate becoming light; max temp 8 to 10C (46 to 50F). frost in places early. SW, NW Engand, Wales, Lake District: Sunn or clear intervals, scattered showers; winds NW

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backing W. moderate; max temp 9 to 10C (48 to 50F), trost in sheltered parts early.
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clear intervals, scattered showers;
winds backing SW, mainly light; max
temp 7 to 8C (45 to 46F), frost at
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Aberdeen, cent Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shet-First, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Wintry showers, sunny or
clearer intervals; winds NW to W,
moderate; max temp 5 to 7C (41 to
45F), frost in places early.
Outlook for tomorrow and
Saturday: Mostly try with sunny
intervals but occasional rain in the N.
Temperatures near normal with
perhaps night frost in places.

Temperatures near normal perhaps night frost in places. SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straits of Dover: Wind variable, becoming NW, light or moderate, sea smooth or slight. English Channel (E). Wind NW moderate or fresh, sea slight or moderate. St Georges Channel Irish Sea: Wind NW moderate, becoming light: sea slight.

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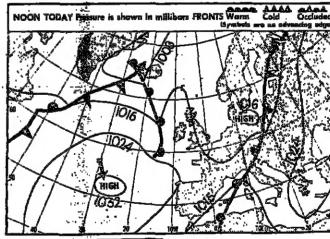
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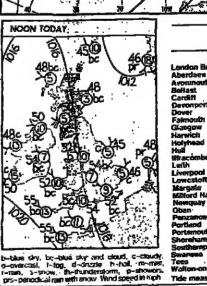
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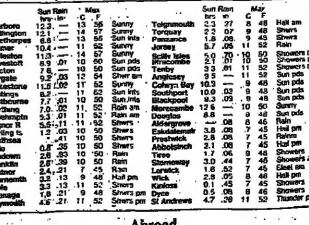
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